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Deer Creek Pastors Will Promote Associational Plan of Work

On April 3rd Dr. D. A. McCall had the Enlistment Pastors of the state in his office for a day's meeting. The president of the board and some of the



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members of the Executive Committee were present. Pastor Chester L. Quarles of Leland was our speaker and presented a fine plan of work. The District Baptist Association, the Baptist unit of work, he stated, properly organized and functioning perennially, instead of annually, would present to all churches each

of the plans and causes we foster, and would strengthen weak places.

Today, April 19th, the pastors of Deer Creek Association met at Hollandale and organized an Associational Pastor's Conference, to meet once a month. We had requested Bro. Quarles, one of the pastors of this association, to speak on the same plan he had recommended at the Enlistment Pastor's meeting.

As a result, the promotion of the perennial associational plan of work became the main item at this initial meeting. The Enlistment Pastors agreed to begin earnest efforts at once toward a complete organization and a well defined schedule of work, in an effort to build an association as nearly model as possible, functioning all the year around.

It will be the plan and purpose of the Enlistment Pastor in District No. 2, to endeavor to lead each one of his twelve associations into an organization and work schedule equally as thorough and efficient as the Baptists in Deer Creek hope to develop. He will offer all the help possible in aiding the as-

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Convention Day Is Proposed in Churches and Associations

By Walter M. Gilmore, Nashville

It is a matter of deepest regret that on account of present war conditions it was deemed wise to defer the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Memphis May 12-14. While we shall be deprived of the fellowship and inspiration of that meeting, yet it is possible for us to get much of the information in regard to the work of our denominational agencies that would have been imparted if this session of the Convention had been held as scheduled.

The reports of all these agencies and of the various committees appointed at the last session of the Convention have been assembled by Secretary Hight C. Moore and will be published and distributed in due time as in former years.

For the benefit of churches and associational groups who desire to carry out a Convention Day program May 12, or some other date, we are sending out this abbreviated form of the high lights in the various reports. Dr. J. E. Dillard offers the

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MOTHER'S DAY

Sunday, May 9th



YOUR MOTHER

She's the lady (remember?) . . . who sang such tender lullabies . . . whose arms were so soft and safe . . . who cried a little when they cut your curls . . . who sent you armed with confidence to that first day at school . . . who baked such "yummy" cookies! She's the self-same lady . . . standing staunchly behind her son in service . . . her daughter in defense work! She's MOM . . . the world's greatest! So, on May 9th, her own day . . . show her how much you need and value her love . . . remember her tenderly . . . as she ever remembers you.

Lord's Acres Become Lord's Hours

Mill Workers Pledge Labor Hours to Church

Drexel, N. C.—(RNS)—A new variation of the "Lord's Acre" plan in which work in the mills is substituted for an acre of one's farm has just been tried out successfully by the Drexel Baptist Church here.

The plan has attracted the attention of the North Carolina Council of Churches and is the subject of a bulletin just issued by the council through its headquarters at Durham.

"The people voted to adopt the plan a year ago," the council reports. "Since most of the church membership obtain their livelihood not from the soil but from factories and furniture plants, the idea of setting aside an acre of one's farm, the produce of which was to go to the church, had to be revised but the principle remained the same.

"In the new plan, members made their pledges on special cards, most of them pledging to dedicate the first hours of work in the mills as a gift to the church in addition to their regular church contributions. A few pledged chicks or a certain portion of milk their cows produced or a few rows of their Victory Gardens.

"Evidently the membership lived up to their pledges, for as a result of this revised 'Lord's Acre' plan, the church has already purchased a \$1,000 war bond and anticipates purchasing a \$500 bond on Mother's Day. The money will be used for a new church building after the war."

**BAPTIST RECORD
CIRCULATION THIS WEEK
31,810**

We need 190 to get to the 32,000 mark. Please help!

Report of the Committee of the Foreign Mission Board on Post-War Policies

"Now God be thanked who matched us to this hour. The old world is dead. The future lies with those who can resolutely turn their backs on it and face the new world with understanding, courage, and imagination." God grant that we may prove equal to the challenge of this new day. For the church of Christ faces the greatest missionary opportunity in all its history.

World Conditions

(1) Consider the fact that we were never so world-related as we are today. There are no longer any far-away places. We have listened anxiously each morning to news from Russia. Boys from our churches have been fighting in Africa and in the islands of the Pacific. Americans have marched up the Burma road and have flown their planes across the provinces of China. "Any suggestion that near-by needs must claim attention first is out-of-date, for Timbuktu is as near as Smithville or the slums across the tracks. The 'home base' has become world-wide."

(2) Consider also the statement made by Mr. Willkie in his address to the American people on his return from a world tour: "I bring back to you this clean and significant fact: that there exists in the world today a gigantic reservoir of good will toward you, the American people. Many things have created this enormous reservoir. At the top of the list go the hospitals, schools and colleges which Americans—many of them missionaries—have founded in the far corners of the world. Many of the new leaders of old countries—men who are today running Iraq or Turkey or China—have studied under American teachers whose only interest has been to spread knowledge. Now, in our time of crisis, we owe a great debt to these men and women who have made friends for us."

(3) Again consider that the prestige of Christianity was never so great as it is today. The heroic loyalty of our missionaries has won the admiration of the Orient, and indeed of the entire world. At the close of the war we shall find the soil prepared as never before, and we must be ready to sow the seed. A peace, if it be based on good will, will enhance the friendly relationships between the nations, and afford an even greater missionary opportunity. This is one of many reasons why Christians are deeply concerned in what happens at the peace conference at the close of the war.

(4) While the work of some of our missionaries has been halted by the war, the word of God is not bound. Our forty missionaries returning on the S. S. Gripsholm reported that in China Christian churches are crowded as never before, and that

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Constituting of Baptist Churches

(The following contains excerpts from an address delivered to the Baptist ministers of the Carolina Association by Dr. J. C. Owen, pastor of the Saluda church. It was published in the Hendersonville Times-News at the request of those who heard it, and we feel that it merits publication in the Recorder.—Editor.)

A Baptist church should be constituted where and when its constitution will promote the Kingdom on earth.

A definition: The word "church" comes from the Greek word "ekklesia," which means "The called out ones." With this meaning the word is used one hundred and ten times in the New Testament. Such people met together for such a purpose are

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Sparks and Splinters

Do you have an investment in the many boys and girls of the Orphanage? If not, now is the time to make one. Send a liberal gift on Mother's Day.

A. W. Talbert of Jackson has accepted the call to the Fannin church and is already at work with them.

At the Montgomery church in Lincoln county, E. C. Williams preached in the revival crusade with splendid results.

At Shiloh church in Lawrence county on April 26, the pastor, P. B. Green, preached most helpfully on the resurrection. At this service the boys who are away in camp were remembered. Among these are two of the pastor's sons.—Reporter.

Mrs. Hortense Ott has been elected president of a newly organized Woman's Missionary Society at Terry's Creek church in Pike county. The women from East McComb church under the leadership of their president, Mrs. W. E. Gerald, were helpful in setting up this new unit. Mrs. Gerald's message on faith based on Hebrews 11, was most effective. Several of the ladies gave talks from Royal Service. There were 20 women from Terry's Creek present, making an excellent beginning for the new W. M. S.—Mrs. Wright, reporter.

Blue Mountain, Miss., May 3—The annual meeting of the Blue Mountain College Alumnae Association will be held at the college on May 22. Mrs. D. C. Simmons, Jackson, national alumnae president, will preside, and Miss Frances Fraser, Nashville, Tenn., will preside over the Junior Alumnae session. Blue Mountain College alumnae are located in forty-four states and several foreign countries. The tire and gas situation will prevent many from attending this year.

Eastport church, Iuka—We have just closed a helpful week of revival with Edgar Agee of Cherokee, Ala., doing the preaching. J. E. Fuller, pastor, led the singing. We had one for baptism and the church was spiritually lifted.—Reporter.

After a revival held at Winona in which he did the preaching, Pastor Chester Quarles of Leland writes: "Bro. Flowers is indeed a hard-working and effective servant of the Lord. Recently he led the church to provide a soldier center. There are thousands of soldiers in nearby camps and hundreds of their wives in Winona. The center is attractively furnished. Bro. and Mrs. Flowers are one of our finest young couples. They are cultured, prepared and ambitious."

Mrs. Sallie Allsup of Tiptersville, writes to urge that people attend church whenever they can, and live lives apart from worldliness. She asks prayers for her boys in the army.

It can be done. It must be done. What? The \$10,000 cash offering for the Orphanage contributed by the many loyal Baptists on Mother's Day.

"Fear not, little flock." This is what we mean to say to the children in our care and those who may come under our care in the dark years ahead. We shall keep faith with them that there is a better earth for them than the world we now know. We will teach them that goodness is better than evil, truth better than lying, kindness better than cruelty, and friendship and love better than hate. We will tell them of God's great Son who Himself knowing no fear, left this message for us all, "Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom." Will you not help us to continue to give this message to the boys and girls of the Orphanage by making a liberal offering to this cause on Mother's Day?

The Word in season—In his profession as a missionary dentist, Dr. H. D. McCamey of the Baptist hospital in Ogbomosho, Nigeria, finds doors of evangelistic opportunity. He writes: "During the past week a contacted a Mohammedan with an inoperable cancer of the jaw. While telling him of his physical condition, opportunity opened for me to tell him of the Saviour and, through the Scriptures, point him to the way of salvation and to pray with him. Friendship, which is important between the government officials and the mission, is fostered through the dental department, and, although I am not a preacher, opportunities are presented to tell quietly the story of Jesus and to bring hope eternal to lost souls."

During the period of April 5-14 it was my privilege to preach for Dr. Slater A. Murphy in the Highland Heights Baptist Church of Memphis. Dr. Murphy has a great opportunity there. His church has a membership of about 1900 and it is located in a new residential district that has about 30,000 white people in it. Under his leadership in the ten months that he has been pastor there the contributions have increased 200 percent and they are averaging one addition a day. We had a great meeting with a total of 66 additions.—Norman W. Cox.

The First Baptist Church, Meridian, had a great day Easter Sunday when it burned the last bonds of its indebtedness nineteen months ahead of their maturity. The church is now entirely debt free. During the past two years it has paid \$11,500 in debts, contributed more than \$20,000 to missions and has accumulated \$21,000 in a special fund toward the cost of the erection of a new Sunday school building. During these two years 384 members have been received into its fellowship and its work otherwise has prospered.—E. Parke.

That world's best seller, the Bible, is even more popular when given away to our armed forces than in the book markets. The Gideon Society has distributed 4,250,000 pocket-size Bibles to service men and women, is continuing the distribution at the rate of 300,000 a month, but is 100,000 monthly short of supplying the demand. There must be something satisfying in it for men and women who are facing the sternest realities of life—something of inspiration, of consolation, of eternal, unchanging truth.—Jackson Daily News.

From childhood we are taught to pray, but too often not how to pray. We ask for things we wish or think we need, rather than the things that God would send us. If we would accept His gifts with understanding and gratitude, we would find His way best; we should enjoy life, rather than yearn for the joys of life. We get out of life exactly what we put into it. If we work hard and have faith, we reap our reward. If we lose faith and make our prayers only expressions of wishful thinking, we become bewildered and lost.—Mrs. Loula Murray, Ethel, Miss.

Calvary Baptist Church in Jackson will have a special program at their Brotherhood meeting Friday evening, May 7, at 7:45 o'clock. Scotchie McCall will speak and Capt. Roy Williams, who has recently returned from North African air service, will also be on the program. All of the men of the church are invited to share this program with the Brotherhood, of which W. R. Sudduth is president.

A good letter from J. Clarence Gammille of Eddiceton, tells of what The Baptist Record and visiting friends mean to a shut-in. Below are excerpts from the letter: "I have been in bed for two years now. Of course friends are always closer than anything one can read, but I have found comfort and spiritual food in reading The Baptist Record. I have made a list of the 29 preachers and many deacons who have been to see me during the past two years. . . . Having served as a deacon in the Eddiceton Baptist Church before my sickness, I know how to appreciate pastors and deacons. . . . I praise God for Christian fellowship. I would like to say thank you to every one who has been this way. Pray for me that God will use my life, here in bed or wherever He will, for His Glory, and that souls will be saved."—An humble servant, J. Clarence Gammille.

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Blue Mountain Offering in June From Every Church.

DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR May

Evangelism.
Cooperative Program.
Pay off State Debts (Now Club).
Orphanage Day.
Hospital Day.
G. A. Focus Week, 9-14.
Association Elimination Contests in B. T. U.
Vacation Bible Schools.
Tithes and Offerings According to the Scriptures.
Blue Mountain Endowment.

Since the last issue, several churches have indicated their intention of giving to the Now Club the amount they would have spent sending their pastor to the Southern Baptist Convention. See the honor roll on another page for the names of churches and individuals that have agreed to give to the Now Club the amount they would have spent for Convention expenses.

West Point, First church: Contributions for local expenses last year totaled \$8,409.37, benevolences receipts \$8,586.35. A total of \$3,015.35 was added to the building fund.

Under the leadership of A. B. Weathersby as pastor, Mt. Olive church in Mississippi Association has made real progress. They have gone from half to full time. The B. T. U. work is flourishing; they have a good W. M. U. and recently they repainted the building. The Sunday school enrollment is 168.

We are indebted to Pastor James L. Steel of the First Baptist Church of Opelika, Alabama, for a copy of his Temperance Day sermon. It is a severe indictment of the liquor traffic but not in the least overdrawn. We wish that we had space to print the entire sermon. It is printed in an attractive form and is for free distribution.

Talking Object Lessons by Elmer L. Wilder contains fifty-four object lessons adapted for the use of children, especially Juniors. It is most interesting and should be helpful to anyone using objects. The price is \$1.00 and may be ordered from Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Immanuel Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, is finishing about \$7,500 worth of repair work on the inside of the church, and improvements on the pasturium have been made. The Sunday school has doubled since the first of the year. Major W. E. Holcomb spoke Sunday morning in the church auditorium. Roe Holcomb of Kosciusko is engaged in a two weeks' meeting.

Shuqualak: A few weeks past we had a good revival in the Shuqualak church. The visiting minister was Barney Walker, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Forest, Mississippi. Not only did Brother Walker do a wonderful work among the lost people of our town and community, but he did a wonderful work among the membership of our church. There were 11 received upon profession of faith and three by letter. The pastor led the music.—Reporter.

Slayden Baptist Church, under the leadership of Clarence Palmer, pastor, is continuing to make progress. The church has joined the Ministers' Retirement Plan. The Cooperative Program has been put in the church budget. Slayden is using the EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record. A good spring revival was recently held.

At Walnut Consolidated school community a week of study in the Gospel of John has just been completed under the leadership of A. L. O'Brian of Parchman. There were about 75 expressing the desire to become Christians. A revival will be held later. Prof. Raden and the fine faculty are doing a good work at the school which has over 200 pupils.

An increase of more than 310% over April, 1942, has been registered in the gifts at Slayden Baptist Church. This has resulted from the stress laid upon tithing and from the fact that giving is done worshipfully and gladly. The church has not curtailed its support of outside causes while doing some needed repairs and enlarging of their property.—Clarence Palmer is pastor.

The bright side of a dark picture—One of our missionaries yet in China writes: "The cry, 'I'm hungry, I'm hungry,' rings in my ears. As I went to the International Relief Committee meeting this week a young boy of about eighteen, thin and pale, came toward me. My heart pitied him, but I realized it would not be wise to give on the street. (Under present conditions giving on the street leads to mobs gathering around you). . . . He is one of the many dying of starvation. Oh, that there might be a way for this young boy and many others like him to get a ticket to the soup kitchen, or a place in the refugee camp! The bright side in these days of dire distress is that God is working in the hearts of men. Reports in the association told of crowded churches and many turning to the Lord."

Miss Mattie C. Leatherwood has undergone a major operation. She is in the Protestant Hospital at Nashville and is reported on the road to recovery. Friends desiring to send her cards should address her at 2504 Belmont Boulevard.—Andrew Allen.

Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS." I Cor. 13:8b

"They ... went everywhere preaching the Word." Acts 8:4.

I MOTHER'S DAY—MAY 9

MY MOTHER

Who went through the dark shades of death
To give me form and flesh and breath?
Who pressed me to her eager heart
And prayed that we should never part,
And smiled at me despite her smart?
—MY MOTHER.

Who eased my pains and dried my tears.
And banished all my early fears?
Who rocked me patiently each day,
And sang my little woes away?
Who saw my follies but as play?
—MY MOTHER.

Who was my true, my constant guide,
And spoke of me with joy and pride?
Who toiled for me before my birth,
And showed me heaven here on earth?
In hours of gloom as those of mirth?
—MY MOTHER.

Who taught me how to thwart defeat,
And cause temptation's quick retreat?
Who gave me hope and strength to bear
The load of grief and daily care?
Who ever saved me from despair?
—MY MOTHER.

Who kept alive her faith in me?
Believing more than she could see,
Who made my happiness her goal
And played for me a martyr's role?
Who loved me most? — God rest her soul—
—MY MOTHER.

—Dr. V. A. Avakian.

(Critics have pronounced this the best "Mother" poem in existence.)

II

Someone has said in our hearing, "The greatest day in the life of Dr. C. A. Daniel was not when he preached a Convention sermon. Nor was it when he preached a great sermon as pastor at Atlanta, or Richmond. That great day was when he went out to a country church and spoke to a ten-year-old boy, M. E. Dodd, and showing him a Greek New Testament, said, "Maybe you will preach out of it someday."

III

Dr. Truett tells the story of the ushers passing the offering plates in a service of worship. A ragamuffin at back said, "Put it lower, mister." Ushers did not sense his meaning. The boy took the plate and putting it on the floor stepped into it, saying, "I have no money but I give myself." "First they gave themselves unto the Lord." II Cor. 8.

"I SURRENDER ALL."

IV

New Tracts

We have new tracts for distribution as follows:
1. "Putting Victory into the NOW CLUB NOW," the 1943 Now Club tract.
2. "THE ONE WAY," a story of Blood Atonement.
3. "Heaven."
4. "Our Flag."
The last three tracts are largely used in the interest of men in the service of our country.
We hope many will order the NOW CLUB tract for distribution.

V

Here and There

Rev. W. W. Kyzar is leaving the pastorate June 1, going into full time evangelistic work. His address at present is Meadville. After June 1 his address will be Columbia. The brethren will keep him

busy as he is one of our best evangelists.

Baptists are paying debts rather fast, for one reason, because they see we are about to get out of debt, and, secondly, because they believe we will stay out.

We hear some Southwide leaders are thinking of continuing the 100,000 Club because it is "going so good." They will likely find it going dry when the debts are paid. Some day leaders may learn to keep faith.

We regret the calling off of the S. B. C. meet in May. Still more do we regret the manner in which it was called off. It makes it harder on all denominational servants. We believe thoroughly in spiritual democracy in the church and denomination.

VI

We were privileged to have some good fellowship with the Mississippi BBI group. Some of our finest talent there. Dr. Duke McCall, the new president, Mrs. McCall and some faculty members were present. A great institution!

Bogue Chitto high school graduated a large class of 24. The huge auditorium was packed for graduation. Prof. Mitchell and his helpers are to be congratulated.

Greene county held a temperance meeting looking toward improving conditions. Pastor Potter and the McLain church were hosts. Several pastors and other leaders were present.

VII

Pinola continues the building fund campaign. Work goes well. Pastor Guy Little and his people are happy in the work.

Oil City dedicated their building. House packed with people. Pastor Herbert Herrington led the people to make a nice offering to Now Club as first one after dedication.

First Baptist, Jackson, had good evening congregation. Dr. W. A. Hewitt and his people reported a great morning service with thirteen additions. Two additions in evening. Mrs. George Meek leads a fine Intermediate Union.

As we think of "The Acts of the Apostles" of another day, we think now of "THE ACTS OF MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS." Doxology!

VIII

"Lamps in the Darkness" by Roy Lawson Tawes is written for these times. The first chapter title "There Is Always God," challenges faith. "Jesus Saves," "The Bible Has Not Been Destroyed," and "Life Worth Living," are among other interesting chapter headings. The author declares "this is not the end of the world, but the end of an age that forgot God."

Order this interesting book from your Book Store. Price \$1.

IX

Another new book, "The Harvest of the Spirit," by Eugene M. Austin.

He writes, "We Americans have been wanting life to be all cake and ice cream—praying for normalcy and a Ford for everybody. We've wanted nobody to disturb us." He goes on to prick our selfish hearts. "A way out" is the theme—the Emmaus road—"The Great Encounter."

Order from your Book Store. Price \$1.50.

X

"Believe God—it will have to work."

One of our fine pastors writes as follows: "With 15% going to the Cooperative Program, which we adopted on Friday night, we plan to carry on in a better way. When I was trying to prepare the way for 'THE LORD'S WAY' some of the good folks said 'I would like to see that in operation here, but I am afraid it won't work. You will not get your salary if you do not let the committee men go around and collect it.' To this I replied, 'If we believe God it will have to work, for it is GOD'S PLAN and His way is always best.'"

The following figures tell the result of God's Plan: March 29-April 11 total \$89.66 in three Sundays, to about \$35 to \$45 a month previously. Doxology! This is a small church but God's plan works in a small church and a large church!

XI

"To every man there openeth
A way, and ways, and a way,
And the high soul climbs the high way
And the low soul gropes the low;
And in between, on the misty flats,
The rest drift to and fro.

NOW CLUB

DOUBLING THE FIVE THOUSAND CLUB

A DEBTLESS DENOMINATION BEFORE 1945

HONESTY • LOYALTY • VICTORY

I

Chester E. Swor had already taken, and paid in full, three Now Club Certificates. Hearing that Mississippi Baptists were about ready to enter the last and Victory lap, he sends another \$50 check designated to the Now Club. Doxology!

II

If we pay off those bonds—\$127,500—June 1st—and, do it gracefully, we must have several thousands of dollars from Mississippi Baptists within the next few weeks.

The "sweet" of victory will "taste" mighty good, and of course you and your church (His church) want to have a BIG part in it!

III

It has not been easy to keep a major emphasis upon debt-payment. One individual after another has come in with suggestions and sometimes demands that the emphasis be shifted or lessened. One Baptist cause after another has come in the same spirit.

Through it all a major emphasis has been maintained upon paying our debts before we impose additional obligations upon Mississippi Baptists.

It is our hope that Baptists have sensed the danger of big debts, and, the waste (in interest, etc.) of big debts, to the point that at least our generation will not repeat at this point.

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THREE NATION-WIDE BAPTIST BROADCASTS IN MAY

In connection with the Nashville meeting of Southern Baptist committees and other leaders, the Columbia, Mutual and Blue Network, will each broadcast a news report of Southern Baptist work for the past year, according to Chairman S. F. Lowe, of the Radio Committee, Southern Baptist Convention. Here are the important details of these broadcasts:

May 12th, 12:30-12:45 CWT, Mutual will carry a news report by Dr. John L. Hill of the Baptist Sunday School Board, broadcast originating from Nashville.

May 12th, 3:45-4:00 CWT, Columbia will carry a news report by Dr. J. M. Dawson of Waco, Texas. Program originating from Nashville.

May 13th, 1:00-1:15 CWT, the Blue Network will carry a news report given by their regular religious commentator, Rev. Bradford S. Abernathy of New York.

Pastors everywhere will doubtless announce these broadcasts and thus make the courtesy of these great radio networks mean much more to the cause of Christ. Many pastors are contacting their local stations and when assured that the broadcasts will be carried they plan to announce same in the local press.

We have just been advised that WSLI of Jackson, and WCOC of Meridian, Miss., will carry the Columbia broadcast.

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The Orphanage admitted fourteen new children during the month of April. Your Mother's Day offering will help with their support together with the entire group who make their home in this great institution.

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New York—(RNS)—Persecution of churches in Czechoslovakia by the German authorities continues, but the result has been a marked increase in religious fervor among all denominations, according to the Czechoslovakia Information Service here.

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Blue Mountain Offering in June From Every Church.

But to every man there openeth
A high way and a low,
And every man decideth
The way his soul shall go."

—Oxenham.

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MOTHER

Sunday, May 9, is Mother's Day. Of course, every day should be Mother's Day. But on this day set apart as hers, let none forget mother, be she ever so far away. Let some tribute of love be sent her. Time has creased her cheeks, dimmed her eyesight, plucked the bloom from her face, and sapped her strength, but she is still beautiful. Her lips may be shrunken but they are the same lips that kissed the tears from our childish cheeks. They are the same lips that kissed away the pains of falls and bumps.

Those eyes may not be able to see as far as in departed days but they glow with a radiance and richness that casts a halo about her head. While the distance of her sight is shortened, the length of her spiritual insight has been multiplied many times. Those eyes of hers, even though sometimes sunken, still glow with an endless love that has never failed but has grown with the years.

As one writer has said, "The sands of life are nearly run out, the road of her life's journey has nearly ended, the feebleness of old age is creeping upon her, but feeble as she is, she will go further and reach down lower and hold on tighter and do it longer than anyone else upon the earth. When the world shall despise and forsake you, when it leaves you by the wayside to die, unnoticed, unwept, unsung, the dear old mother will gather you up in her feeble arms and carry you home and tell you of all your virtues until you almost forget that your soul is disfigured by vices."

Love mother dearly and cheer her declining years with tender devotion for:

"There is no love like the good old love—
The love that mother gave us;
We are old, old men, yet we pine again
For that precious grace—Gave save us!
So we dream and dream of the good old times,
And our hearts grow tenderer, fonder,
As those dear old dreams bring soothing gleams
Of heaven away off yonder."

And now a word for mothers. Your place is one of power. Few men or women have attained greatness in this world without a great mother. Too often we think of the accomplishments of people and forget those influences that helped them to achieve greatness.

All my life I've heard of the work of Moses. But much too seldom do we hear a word of praise for that good mother of his. Teaching her son, Moses (and getting paid for it), she was teaching Israel. Implanting in his heart the great truths of life, she was sharing in leading the Israelites toward the promised land.

Moses didn't choose "Rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season." He learned that at his

mother's knee. Moses didn't get his Israelitish sympathy from Pharaoh's court, but from his mother. When Moses was twenty-one he refused to be called Pharaoh's son. He might have worn royal Egyptian jewels and sat on the throne of Egypt but his mother had taught him about God. Thank God, here was a boy who listened to his mother. I've never known such a boy to get into trouble.

I've seen the idle bunch sitting around reading "Movie Romances" and "True Confessions." I've heard them talk about "The Old Man" and "The Old Woman." I've heard them make sneering remarks about boys and girls who show some love and appreciation for mother. But I have also noticed that those obedient and industrious boys and girls are the God-fearing, outstanding men and women of later days.

If mothers will instill in their boys and girls Godly fear and Godly love, ideals of honesty and fairness, there will be rooms for rent in hell and earthly dives and places of questionable pleasure will be as deserted as a graveyard at midnight.

Moses made the right choice because his mother taught him the right way to choose. Before he found out about the old sins he learned about the old-time religion. And he learned it from his mother.

Mothers, there are no earthly instruments that will measure your influence and power. Only eternity can reveal that.

But as unexploded powder has no force, so is mother's influence without love. Mother's love gives force to all that she is and does. Mother's love is the key that unlocks many a hardened heart and melts the frozen soul. No mother can hope to lead her children to high places if she is stingy with her love.

So, on Mother's Day, let us remember and never forget that to us who live the most precious thing is mother's love. To some she is only a memory but many of us in the noon and afternoon of life are still privileged to see the winsome beauty of her face, to hear the quiet benediction of her voice and to enjoy the fragrance of her love. Like the lighthouse, her love and loyalty remain a constant flame.

May the Lord bless and keep our mothers. In these days of darkness and disappointment and despair, when every mail makes her heart flutter with fear and she imagines that every telegram paints a picture of her boy wounded or dead, may God's richest blessings be bestowed on mother. May His face shine upon our mothers whose deeds today determine the history of tomorrow. May His grace and abiding peace be with our mothers who love, and love, and love.

"No painter's brush or poet's pen,
In justice to her fame,
Has reached half high enough
To write a mother's name.
Thence upward to the great white throne,
Midst music soft and sweet,
Thank Jesus for that precious name
And write it at His feet."

YOUTH IN SUMMER WORK

The summer work done by the Christian college students in the rank of Southern Baptists has passed the experimental stage. They have proved their worth. Few criticisms have been heard of the work or the workers in youth revivals, study courses, Bible schools, or in any activity undertaken by the young people.

Pastors who have had these collegiate Christians work with them are among the staunchest sup-

porters of the volunteer summer work of the students. Students are willing to listen to advice from experienced leaders in the churches where they serve, and their one aim is to magnify Christ. Carefully planned activities led by members of the Baptist Student Unions will strengthen the local churches and associations.

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OUR SELECTED EDITORIAL

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

MINISTERS WHO CEASE TO GROW

Once upon a time, report came to this writer about a committee who visited the beloved pastor of their church and said, in effect: "Pastor, we know you can preach; we know there are few men your equal in the pulpit, when you really try to preach. But we also know you do not try; and we know that half the time your preaching is not satisfactory." And so, it was said, that pastor's sermons became much better.

Recently a letter was received from a deacon, which ran, in part, as follows: "While a preacher would fire a cook who devoted the major portion of her time ministering to the neighbors, to the neglect of the preparation of suitable meals for his family, he, too, often feels called on to attend the community chest and clubs, the public schools, and so many other things, that he neglects to prepare sermons which build up the spiritual life of the church which is paying him for that service. Is this consistency?"

Another deacon recently remarked to the writer that he had observed the pastors of his church for thirty years, the most of whom began as young men, and after the first year or two out of the seminary, they seemed to quit all intellectual growth, with the exception of one or two. He asked for an explanation of this. Of course, if a preacher ceases to grow intellectually, it is explained by the fact that he ceases to study; or, if he studies at all, it is only something that will help him preach on Sunday, instead of books which convey a broad, general knowledge.

It is marvelous how much work some men will do to keep from studying.—Alabama Baptist.

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Our Contributed Editorial

BY INVITATION OF THE EDITOR

By this means we hope to give our readers a cross section of Mississippi Baptist thought.

TRAINING FOR GREATER CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Rev. Thomas S. Messer

Returning from a recent preaching engagement, I was approached by a professed atheist who made a striking false statement: "Religion is only for the ignorant!" I did not care to argue with him, but to those of you who appreciate the word of God I offer scriptural answers, saying: "Thus saith the Lord."

Christianity radiates intelligence. Our greatest Bible scholars and theologians can take one passage of Scripture or even one word and spend a whole lifetime in its deep concentrated study. Yet we find that even a small child can understand the principles and fundamentals of its teachings.

Solomon had one wish to be fulfilled; he chose wisdom. In his books of Proverbs and of Ecclesiastes he advises us to advance in wisdom and knowledge. In the fourth chapter of Proverbs he writes: "Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom and with all thy getting; get understanding." Not only do we find such passages in the Old Testament, but it is the same religion which teaches in II Timothy 2:15 that we should study to show ourselves approved unto God.

We remember that Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, constantly taught His followers. When He had chosen His disciples, He took them with Him,

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teaching them all along the way. Great multitudes joined them and even climbed a mountain to hear His profound utterances. We recall how He taught Peter lessons of forgiveness; how He trained the disciples to carry on the Kingdom's work, explaining to them that His days on earth were numbered for the time of His departure was at hand. Even on that last day He gave them some last instructions before ascending unto the Heavenly Father.

Men who would master their fields must have good study habits; there is no place for a lazy man. The Scriptures tell us, "He becometh poor that dealth with a slack hand." Even the tiny ant can teach men great lessons which apply to practical religion: "Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways and be wise."

The choice places are at the top for those who are prepared. We can't do a thing we know nothing about; we must be prepared if we are to do our best.

If it is understood that we learn easier, learn more, and have longer to serve if we begin our preparation early. We can't start any younger.

Our denomination is supplying its needs to a great extent through the Sunday school and the Training Union. A church without these organizations is crippled. Its members become self-satisfied; its adults are handicapped in the administration of its affairs; its untrained youth will be left with a great burden in a few years, and perhaps the church will suffer collapse in the next generation.

How I pray that our "nominal Christians" might see the need and join in the efforts of training for greater Christian service.

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CHAPLAIN AGE LIMIT EXTENDED

The Chief of Chaplains Office advises that the age limit for candidates to the army chaplaincy is extended from 50 to 55, Dr. Alfred Carpenter, superintendent of camp work, reports. "Within this age bracket," says Dr. Carpenter, "a limited number of appointments will be made of those candidates who meet all other requirements in full and are available for general service as the need occurs. "Southern Baptists should supply at least 50 from this group now," Dr. Carpenter added. "We have 15 applications on hand. An additional 35 are needed immediately."

SOS For Chaplaincy Volunteers Sounded

"If the number were available we could today assign to duty 600 or more chaplains." This is a late appeal from the Chief of Chaplains Office to all denominations. To Southern Baptists he says, "The balance of your quota to be procured for 1943 is 185. Your cooperation is solicited in the motivation of applicants to fill your quota at the earliest possible moment." We hope to do this before July 1, which means the applications need to be in our hands by June 1.

The Southern Baptist quota for the army is one of the few that is ahead of schedule; nevertheless our concern is to meet a need rather than to fill a quota and this need is leadership for a spiritual ministry within the armed forces. To accomplish this your committee on army and navy chaplains at this time needs 250 applications for the army. We also need 75 for the navy. The age limit for the navy is still 50.

During March the war department appointed 26 Southern Baptist chaplains to the army and the bureau of navigation appointed 12 to the navy. Among the many promotions for the month of April, fourteen Southern Baptist chaplains were given the rank of captain. Southern Baptist chaplains are rapidly assuming places of responsibility throughout the armed forces. On the far flung battle fronts three chaplains are in charge of theatres of operations. Several others are corps chaplains.

Our men in responsible positions here in the homeland, fill important posts on the chief of chaplains staff, serving as instructors in the navy and also in the army chaplains schools. You will find them post chaplains, serving in hospitals and

Touching The Bases

By Fred R. Langley

Soldiers, Sailors and Defense Projects Service

CAMP VAN DORN—Easter Sunday found approximately 8,000 soldiers of many ranks and of numerous religious faiths attending the outdoor services held on the 99th Division parade grounds. An improvised altar had been erected on the west side of the grounds and loud speakers placed on each side of the stand. The Star Spangled Banner and the Christian Flag flew from opposite sides of the pulpit. Chaplain Edw. W. Eanes was in charge of the entire program. Warrant Officer Daniel A. Kyser, band director of the Division Artillery Band, directed the band in the special Easter music, with Corp. Dale W. Young officiating at the console of the army field organ.

The artillery band opened the services by playing "Christ the Lord is Risen Today," by Williams; following this Post Chaplain Robert D. Carrin read from the first book of Corinthians, chapter fifteen, verses 54 to 57 inclusive, the "Call to Worship." Then the congregation sang the Doxology. The invocation and Lord's Prayer repeated in unison was led by Chaplain I. B. Noland of the 395 Inf. Reg. The band's second selection was "I Know My Redeemer Lives." The responsive reading was from Romans the eighth chapter and was conducted by Chaplain E. H. Hartman of the Division Artillery. "As It Began to Dawn," a solo, by Harken, was sung by PFC. Joseph R. Evans. Next on the program was a pastoral prayer offered by Chaplain Norman E. Ferguson of the 394 Inf. Reg. "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" was sung as a congregational hymn.

The subject of the Easter message was "Proof of Immortality." It was well spoken by Division Chaplain Henry B. Koon to the great soldier audience while they were seated on the drill field. Selected verses were read from the 28th chapter of Matthew's Gospel.

The climax came when the entire group sang that favorite old gospel hymn that seemed to have been especially written for Christian soldiers marching on to war. The words which are familiar to millions:

Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
With the Cross of Jesus going on before;
Christ the royal Master, leads against the foe;
Forward into battle, see His banner go.

Like a mighty army moves the Church of God;
Brothers, we are treading where the saints have trod;
We are not divided, all one body we,
One in hope and doctrine, one in charity.

Onward then, ye people, join our happy throng;
Blend with ours your voices in the triumph song;
Glory, laud and honor, unto Christ our King;
This thro' countless ages men and angels sing.

The benediction was pronounced by John A. Koch, chaplain of the 393 Inf. Reg. The handful of civilians in this mighty throng of military power in the hills of southwest Mississippi shall never forget this occasion as they worshipped with the men of the 99th Inf. Division and lifted their hearts to God for the message of A Risen Christ and for the "Proofs of Immortality."

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Blue Mountain Offering in June From Every Church.

especially in many of the larger reception centers. Outstanding has been their work in the alien enemy camps. They have been granted these important posts not as Southern Baptists but rather because of their leadership initiative. We are justified in being thankful for the spiritual ministry of our chaplains. They need to be on our daily prayer list.—Alfred Carpenter, superintendent of camp work.

WILL T. DIXON ORDAINED

Will T. Dixon was ordained April 11 by the Black Jack church in Yazoo county, with the examination being conducted by Don Jones of Clinton, Dr. A. A. Kitchings of Clinton, pastor, and Clark W. McMurray. Deacons of the church also assisted the council.

The decision of the examining council was unanimous in recommending Bro. Dixon to the full ministry of the gospel. He will soon leave for service in the army. He is at present attending school at Mississippi College, where he is a member of the freshman class.

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TEN BEST BOOKS

T. D. Brown

First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, Miss.

This list of books I am sending has been read in recent months, and with profit:

The Highway of God, by Sockman.
Christian Missions in Today's World, Carver.
Central Certainties, Moore.
Facts That Undergird Life, Scherer.
Romans, by Newell.
The Finality of Jesus Christ, Speer.
A Primer for Teachers, Slattery.
Is the Kingdom of God Realism? Jones.
The Parables of Jesus, Buttrick.
Lou Gehrig, Graham.

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THE CONVENTION IS OFF, OTHER THINGS ON

There can be no question as to the patriotic intent of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. Yet there will be some things hard to reconcile. The Kentucky Derby goes on; the Convention goes off. Baseball goes on; the Convention goes off. Catholic prelates go to Rome; S. B. C. does not go to Memphis, etc., in contrast.

It is a difficult situation but so was the situation at Kasserine Pass. Casablanca was difficult and dangerous but there was a need for a meeting of the chieftains of the United Nations. Only a handful from each section might have been enough to have formulated our Baptist war strategy and next year may be worse and too late. Nine-tenths of the usual program could have been submerged with all the speeches but the need for "salt" today as never before cannot be put aside. If another peace is consummated without "salt," then all the bleeding and dying and disaster and destruction with the heartaches will be of no avail.

A great deal of travel is going on now by people who are going nowhere, but it is time Baptists were going somewhere—what of our strategy for the rehabilitation of the world?—S. P. White in The Baptist and Reflector.

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The following bit of wisdom is clipped from the bulletin of the First church, Birmingham, Dr. John L. Slaughter, pastor: "If, as a growing Christian, you desire to hitch your wagon to a star, try (a day at a time) to live up to the following 'Nevers' and 'Evers': 1. Never scold. It is usually a sign of 'introversion' (look it up in the dictionary!). 2. Never stew or fret. It is terrible on the nerve fibers. 'What men have in the soul will usually find way to their lips—A fretful Christian will wear away his spirit in climbing hills which, if he will wait, will lift before him like a mist.' 3. Never gossip. Psalm 34:13—'Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile.' (Look up 'guile' in your dictionary!) 4. Never deceive. Let your life be like an open book. Truth will not die: neither will deceit. Lincoln said that you can't fool all the people all the time; the Christian knows that he cannot fool God any of the time."—Alabama Baptist. (Dr. Slaughter is a native of Jackson, Miss., and a graduate of Mississippi College.—Editor.)

Canada has taken the liquor crowd into hand and rationing of alcoholic beverages goes into effect. The Maritime Baptist reports that since the outbreak of the war, drinking of hard liquors has increased 37½ percent in the Dominion, wines 25 percent and beer 60 percent. Says the editor, "Without anyone accusing the editor or this paper of being other than staunch prohibitionist, it can surely be said that, little as it is, rationing is at least an effort to do something about a bad situation, and the situation is serious."—Western Recorder.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD ON POSTWAR POLICIES
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converts are being won in increasing numbers. The native Christians sent through these missionaries this heartening message: "Tell Southern Baptists that we are carrying on. We are taking up the work where the missionaries have laid it down."

(5) Consider also that the partially closed doors on many friends have turned our attention to the wide-open doors of Latin America. These nearest neighbors of ours challenge us to tell them of the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and of the all-sufficient grace of Christ wherewith we are saved through faith. Not only the nearness to us of this great continent, but its potential influence in the life of the world demand that South America be made an immediate major objective of our Foreign Mission undertaking. This requires that we should straightway strengthen our work in the countries of Latin America where we have already made a beginning. We should at the same time establish work in other of these sister republics of the South. Just as Mr. Willkie discovered that our missionaries had created reservoirs of good-will in the countries he visited, so we believe our missionaries will strengthen the bond of friendship between our nation and our Southern neighbors.

(6) Space forbids naming all the open doors, but the imagination quickens to think of postwar co-operation with the four million Baptists in the land of our great ally, Russia, of many parts of Europe which will be eager to listen to the simple democratic gospel of Christ, of Africa where the soldiers of the United States have written an heroic story and where the soldiers of the cross are challenged to battle against the forces of darkness and win that great continent for the Prince of Peace, and of many other vast territories of our world, grown strangely familiar to us in days of war, and affording us a challenge to greatly enlarged missionary activity all around our world. Many peoples have learned to look to America with confidence and with hope. Shall we take advantage of this superlative opportunity to carry to them the story of redemption through faith in Jesus Christ? Lift up your eyes and look on the fields, for they are white already unto harvest.

PROGRAM OF WORK

In view of these considerations the Foreign Mission Board has adopted the following postwar program:

Postwar Program of the Foreign Mission Board

I. Survey and Promotion

(1) Your Board should begin at once a thorough survey to know just what tasks Southern Baptists should undertake in the world field, and what outlay in men and money will be required for the proper prosecution of those tasks. Justice to ourselves and to the missionary cause demands that we should undertake such work and only such work as Southern Baptists are prepared adequately to man, to equip, and to finance. Such a program should challenge our people to an enlarged and worthy work.

(2) In this connection and preliminary thereto, your Board should take the initiative in calling a conference early in 1943 of all the Baptist Foreign Mission Boards in the United States and Canada (the Northern Baptist Boards, the Canadian Baptist Boards, and the three Negro Baptist Boards.) These several Boards ought to work out a great coordinated and cooperative foreign mission program for the postwar period. It would be well for the Baptist World Alliance to be represented at this conference.

(3) When this survey has been completed, the Board should prepare an attractive, well-written, illustrated brochure setting forth its proposed program, both immediate and at the close of the war, and a conservative, itemized estimate of the necessary cost of this program in each separate area of missionary work. This brochure should be widely distributed among the Baptists of the South.

(4) The Board should plan and promote an annual "World Fellowship Week" in our churches in order to increase knowledge of and interest in our missionary enterprise. Such a week should be used for a systematic study of our mission fields. The Board should cooperate with the Home Mission Board and various state organizations in order to offer to our churches the best available personnel for leadership in such a program.

(5) In the tragic world in which we live consultation and cooperation with similar boards of other denominations is inevitable. This is particularly true in the matter of relief for the starving peoples of the world. What exceptional missionary opportunity is here afforded! How marvelous it would be if all relief in war-devastated lands might be administered under the direction of the missionaries! Then all relief would be a reminder of Him who said, "I was hungry and ye gave me meat; I was sick and ye visited me." Your Board will make every effort to do its full share in this

beautiful ministry of mercy in the name of our Lord.

II. Personnel

(1) Each missionary of our Board entails an investment of approximately five years on the field and \$10,000 in money before he is ready to render maximum service. It is not only necessary that he learn the language, but also that he understand the hopes and ideals of the people with whom he is to work. For that reason the Board should retain in its employ every missionary now in the home-land not incapacitated by age or infirmity in order to be able immediately to supply a trained missionary personnel at the close of the war.

(2) The Board should present its work to the Baptist students in the colleges, universities, seminaries, and professional schools of our Southern Baptist territory. The primary objective of this undertaking should be to challenge our young people to volunteer for the foreign field in this time of unparalleled opportunity. A second objective should be to instill in the hearts of the students an interest in missions, and an understanding of missions in order that they may be qualified for missionary leadership in our churches at home. This contact with our Baptist students should be a major responsibility of the secretaries of the Board and of selected missionaries.

(3) Our secretaries, our missionaries on furlough, and our pastors should take advantage of every opportunity to present the foreign mission program to high school students. These students are at a formative period of life, and their hearts readily respond to ideals of service. Most missionaries have had the seed of missionary enthusiasms sown in their hearts before they entered college.

(4) In order to have an adequate number of new missionaries ready by the close of the war, the Board should approve young people of outstanding ability as soon as they are available, assist them in determining the field to which they should be sent and in securing such preparatory training as will best equip them for their work.

(5) The Board should consider the employment of a personnel secretary who would devote all his time to the task of discovering prospective missionaries, and keeping in contact with them from the time they are discovered until they are either no longer available or have been appointed by the Board. The work suggested in sections (2) and (3) might well be under his supervision.

III. Finance

(1) The board should acquaint the denomination with the fact that the expenses of our work are increased rather than diminished because of the war; that the expenses of the missionaries in the home-land are greater than when on the field, and that there can be no curtailment of our present missionary budget.

(2) Much of our property in Europe and the Orient has been destroyed. The Board should build up a reserve fund of at least one million dollars in order to be ready at the close of the war to provide the necessary equipment for the immediate occupation of these fields.

(3) Not only the primary consideration of compassion, but also the opportunity of creating good will for Christian missions suggests that an additional half million dollar emergency fund be launched at once to continue to care for the destitute people in Free China, in portions of Europe and elsewhere.

(4) The Board pledges its continued and fullest support of the Co-operative Program and trusts that all of our co-operating organizations will increasingly support this method of financing our work around the world. We trust that more and more of our churches and state conventions will attain the ideal of the 50-50 division between local expenses and missionary causes.

(5) The Foreign Mission Board rejoices that its debt has now been fully paid. It must be our policy to exercise the most rigid economy and scrupulously avoid again becoming burdened with debt.

IV. Native Christians

(1) The Board recognizes the fact that more and more the leadership in our foreign mission fields must be turned over to the native Christians. In the beginning our missionaries were sent out to pagan lands to win converts and to establish churches. In this they were successful. Many of the native churches are today carrying on their work with no help from the Board. The very genius of our Baptist life demands that these churches be encouraged to organize their own district associations and national conventions, and carry forward their own program of evangelism and education.

(2) The policy of the Foreign Mission Board in any country where we have an established work should be determined after conference with the Missions on the field and the native Baptist constituencies with which our Missions are associated. In a very real sense this policy must be the product of the joint thinking of the Board in Richmond, the missionaries on the field, and the native Christians.

(3) The Foreign Mission Board should arrange to bring capable, native Christian leaders from our mission fields to visit this country. The advantage of these contacts is obvious. They would know us, and we would know them. The Board and the native Christians would understand each other better and could cooperate more effectively. In addition, our churches would become acquainted with these outstanding products of our missionary effort.

(4) It will be increasingly desirable that the Board cooperate with and encourage the native churches in every possible way, helping them to provide an adequately trained leadership, and advising with them as older brothers might advise with younger brothers who are setting out on an important independent adventure. We will have achieved a major purpose on the Foreign Mission field when we have developed a self-supporting and self-directing native denomination.

(5) It is therefore imperative that the missionary personnel of today and tomorrow should, in addition to

other requirements, have an educational equipment, a breadth of vision, a sympathetic and cooperative attitude, which will enable them to desire and to promote this trend toward native independence, and to help the native churches to develop their Christian faith in keeping with the best of their own national culture and background.

THE CHALLENGE TO SOUTHERN BAPTISTS

The program which has just been outlined calls for courage and consecration on the part of Southern Baptists. We need to be much in prayer that God will enable us to prove equal to the opportunities which are ours.

I. Adequate Support

It is urgent that in such an hour Southern Baptists should be conscious of the bigness of the job and of the wholly inadequate way in which they have heretofore rallied to its support. Southern Baptists cannot point with pride to their record of giving to our Foreign Mission program. In per capita gifts to this cause we stand last among comparable denominations. We give less than half as much per member as the next lowest denomination, and less than one-fifth as much as some of the stronger denominations. Until Southern Baptists repent of a record like this, and put our mission work where Jesus put it, as the supreme task of the church, calling for all-our enlistment—until we see missions through the eyes of Jesus—we can not hope to have a worthy program. Still with His pierced hands outstretched, He is saying to us, "As the Father hath sent me even so send I you." Still His great command rings in our ears, "Go make disciples of all nations. And lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

II. A Word to Pastors

We urge upon our pastors in this critical hour:

(1) That they prayerfully lead their people into a deeper spiritual experience. Only as we open our hearts to God, only as we walk humbly before Him in prayer, can we expect that upsurge of spiritual vitality which will enable us to carry out His world-wide program. Only a church upon whom the power of the Holy Spirit has come is prepared to be Christ's witness unto the uttermost part of the earth. "These all continued steadfastly in prayer and supplication." So it was in the days of the apostles, and so it must be today.

(2) That they promote an inspiring program of education to inform their churches of the Foreign Mission work of Southern Baptists—its scope, its successes and its needs. This can be done through sermons, through motion pictures, through mission study classes, through the increased circulation of **The Commission**, and in many other ways.

(3) That they undertake a systematic and continuing program to educate their people in giving. Southern Baptists as a whole are woefully deficient in the grace of liberality. The doctrine of stewardship includes much else, but it certainly includes the giving of money to the cause of Christ.

(4) Missionaries are born in mission-minded homes. The promotion of family religion and the challenge to fathers and mothers that they dedicate their children to the service of Christ will make our homes recruiting stations for our Foreign Mission work. Pastors can render a vital service here.

III. The Spirit of the Board

(1) The Foreign Mission Board is fortunate in its secretaries, in its staff, and in its missionaries. In Charles E. Maddy we have an Executive Secretary who has proved his fitness for his job. His fine spirit, his missionary zeal, his unusual gifts, his secure place in the hearts of our denomination conspire to make him a workman that needeth not to be ashamed. In George W. Sadler, Secretary for Europe, Africa, and the Near East, in M. T. Rankin, Secretary for the Orient, and in Everett Gill, Jr., Secretary for Latin America, we have men especially qualified for the responsibilities of the work in their respective fields. The staff in the Richmond office and in the home-land is competent and co-operative. Our missionaries are carefully selected, and have proved on the foreign field their ability, their consecration, and their effectiveness. Many of them have recently been tried by fire and have been found brave and loyal.

(2) We are deeply moved also by the high Christian character, the loyalty, the devotion to Christ, and the sacrificial service of the native Christians. They give constant evidence of the genuineness of their Christian experience and of the reality of their faith. We rejoice to think of them as brothers beloved with whom we share a common faith and a common task.

(3) Your Board is mindful of its grave responsibilities. We have been entrusted by our denomination with its most vital and difficult enterprise. Only by a constant and diligent study of the history of missions, of its problems, of its changing conditions and methods, can we prepare ourselves intelligently to carry on our work.

(4) As members of the Foreign Mission Board we pledge ourselves individually and collectively to prayer, to study, and to an earnest endeavor to a wise and sympathetic prosecution of the work entrusted to our hands.

(5) And may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do His will working in us that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ. To whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

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Kingdom work is ever a work of faith. Through my years of service as secretary of Woman's Missionary Union I have had to learn that the work of Woman's Missionary Union is our Father's work and we are His servants. I have suffered defeat many times because I trusted in the arm of flesh, and did not look to God from whence cometh our help and disregarded the Biblical teaching: "For of him, and through him, and unto him, are all things. To him be the glory for ever."

Previous to our W. M. U. Convention a number of our State leaders informed me they could not serve longer in the places of their responsibility. Unless you knew how dependent I was on these various leaders, you do not know how perplexed I was for many days. One night it dawned upon me that Kingdom work is ever a work of faith and it was then I knew our Father would lead us in filling these vacancies.

He gave us the superb leadership of Mrs. Ned Rice as our president for nine years. We have but to read the records of our W. M. U. for these years and note the growth of the work, to recognize her as God's choice for this responsible place. Having such proof of the Lord's faithfulness in fulfilling His promises—we knew He would not fail us this time.

Now He has led us to another of His choice servants—Mrs. J. H. Street, our newly elected W. M. U. president. Her every faculty is dedicated to His service. To those of you who know her it's needless for me to commend her to you—for to know her is to love her. To you who have not had the privilege of meeting her I want to say you have a very select personality in your W. M. U. president. She will be your understanding friend whose heart, head and whole being is dedicated to His service.

We must remember she is a busy pastor's wife and cannot turn loose and accept invitations to attend your meetings as much as she would like to, but rest assured that she will give her best thought in helping to formulate plans and policies of our Woman's Missionary Union. Remember to pray for her—Kingdom work is ever a work of faith.

We were loath to hear Mrs. D. M. Nelson, our Margaret Fund chairman, say, "I cannot serve longer as Margaret Fund chairman." Mrs. Nelson has served as mother to those boys and girls who have chosen to come to our colleges in Mississippi and some of those in colleges in other states. She points to these many students who came under her care with pride as she tells of their responsible positions they occupy in various sections of the world today.

It is with regret that we relinquish her from this task. She has handed her torch of motherly love to our newly elected Margaret Fund chairman, Mrs. D. R. Bowen, Cleveland, Miss., who will continue this gracious service to our Margaret Fund children.

Mrs. Bowen is one of our capable associational superintendents, she is the mother of three precious children for whom she and her husband have established a Christian home. When asked by our local committee if she would accept this chairmanship she said, "I will be happy to do my very best and I shall always try to honor Him in my efforts. It is my sincere prayer that I may always hide myself behind the cross that all my work be to His glory." Enough said.

No other word is more descriptive of Mrs. A. L. Goodrich and her characteristics than the word "faithful." She is instant in season and out of season and when I remember God's promises are to the faithful I know her inheritance will be rich as she claims His promises and hears His commendation, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make

thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life."

Mrs. Goodrich has been faithful in her leadership as Community Missions chairman for several years but she thought it the part of wisdom to release this responsibility because of other duties. Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union is not giving her up but only relieving her of this task. We count her as a special member of our W. M. U. family.

Mrs. Lavon Boyles, Laurel, has been chosen Community Missions chairman as Mrs. Goodrich's successor. She is a young woman willing to give her best.

The name of Mrs. J. L. Johnson is almost synonymous with that of the Training School. For a number of years she has served as Training School trustee for our state and has helped shape the policies of our W. M. U. Training School in Louisville, Ky. She has been untiring in her dealings with all girls making application to enter training in our school. She was diligent in gathering all necessary information for the entrance of these prospective students. Many girls have spoken their innermost thoughts to her as she gave them motherly advice concerning future preparation for service. She has interpreted God's call to many.

We have already missed her since she gave up the work. However, we have a hope to continue going to her for advice when she comes back home.

Mrs. O. T. Robinson, formerly of Jackson, but now of Centreville, Miss., has been chosen as Training School trustee. Mrs. Robinson is a young woman, a graduate of Blue Mountain College, and very capable of taking any responsibility pertaining to Kingdom work. She loves the Lord with all her heart, her soul and her strength. Kingdom work is ever a work of faith.

Mother's Day

The second Sunday in May has been set apart for special observance in honor of the home and motherhood. The object is to recall memories of the mothers who have gone: to brighten the lives of those who remain: and to encourage men, women and children to honor home and parents.

Mississippi Baptists are asked to remember our orphan children in our Baptist Orphanage that day with an offering. What would be more pleasing to our own mothers who have gone on to the Great Beyond, than to know that out of the gratitude of our hearts for our God-given mothers we made an offering on that day to helpless little children.

To those who still have the joy of privilege of a mother's love: what about giving a love gift to these children in gratitude for her continued presence with you? Then in the name of the One who said, "Inasmuch as ye did it to the least of these, ye have done it unto me." What a privilege to minister to our Lord and Master this day.

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Blue Mountain Offering in June From Every Church.

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STOCKHOLM.—Bishop Eivind Berggrav, imprisoned Norwegian Primate, has been denied permission to see his wife who is suffering from severe contusions of the skull as the result of a recent accident. The Norwegian church leader is also unable to see his sick son who, until recently, was imprisoned in the same house as his father in the suburbs of Oslo. Berggrav continues to be closely confined. His house is surrounded by barbed wire and guarded by twelve policemen. Despite this fact, the Bishop manages to communicate with his adherents, who recently smuggled out a pastoral letter, which was read in churches.

Raleigh, N. C.: Following complaints that North Carolina rationing boards were not being as liberal with bishops and district superintendents as they were with ministers in the matter of gasoline, W. H. Hofler, state rationing officer, has just issued instructions to local boards ordering that these officials be given 'preferred mileage' for necessary driving to enable them to perform religious services. However, this privilege will be denied if the driving is "for the performance of duties of an organizational nature, supervisory, or administrative nature."

"From Dot-to-Dot in the Life of Christ" is something new in handwork. For years the Dot-to-Dot idea has been syndicated in secular papers. This book contains fifty-two basic dot drawings (representing incidents or objects related to the life of Christ) which the construction of a single line will complete. The author is Miss Sylvia Stewart, a primary Sunday school teacher of Akron, Ohio. The price is 35 cents and may be ordered from the Standard Publishing Company of Cincinnati, Ohio.

New York: Some 15,000 new university students were enrolled for the current school year in Chinese colleges, according to a report issued here by the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China. Declaring that the colleges in Chengtu, West China, are "full to overflowing," the report states: "Of the thousands of candidates, only hundreds have been admitted. The University of Nanking, one of five cooperating institutions, could accept only 180 out of 3,000. The others faced similar situations. Even such restrained admission, however, is stretching facilities to the limit, for there are over 2,700 students on the campus, a campus which, before the war, housed 300."

Colgate-Rochester Divinity School at Rochester has called as its acting president, George Barton Cutten. He succeeds Albert W. Beaven, who died suddenly about three weeks ago. Dr. Cutten retired less than six months ago from the presidency of Colgate University, Hamilton, N. Y. He headed the university for 20 years, coming to the states from Wolfville, N. Y., where he was president of Acadia University. He had been a Baptist pastor in Nova Scotia before that. The divinity school was organized about 15 years ago as a merger of Rochester Theological Seminary and Colgate Divinity School, formerly located on the Colgate campus at Hamilton.

LONDON.—Attempting to justify the recent dissolution of religious sects in Rumania by government decree, the Bukarester Tageblatt declared that the church bodies involved, especially the Adventists and Baptists, were "endangering relations between the nation and its National Church (Eastern Orthodox)." The Baptists and Adventists, the Bucharest newspaper stated, were supported by the British and American governments, and the press in those countries constantly reported the persecution to which these sects were subjected in Rumania.

(Editor's Note: According to an authority on Rumanian church affairs in New York the charge that the Adventists and Baptists are opposed to the Rumanian dictatorship is valid. He stated, however, that these groups merely demanded political and religious freedom, took no part in politics, and had no relation whatever with the governments of Great Britain and the United States.)

Fort Wayne, Ind. (RNS)—A "God's Gallon Club," whose sole membership requirement is a pledge to allot one gallon of gasoline each week for church-going purposes, has been launched here under the sponsorship of the Protestant Voice, religious news weekly. Members receive a windshield sticker bearing the following statement: "We're members of God's Gallon Club (First Gallon For My Church)." According to the weekly, members representing 13 different denominations in 21 states have already been enrolled.

CONVENTION DAY PROPOSED IN CHURCHES AND ASSOCIATIONS

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following:

Suggestions For Progr Convention Day

In Churches, Associations or Other Meetings

Suitable hymns.

Appropriate Scriptures (Ps. 24:46; Matt. 28:18-20; Rom. 10:8-15).

Prayer.

I—The Purpose of This Meeting.

1. The times in which we are living.
2. The deferring of the Convention meeting.
3. Why this meeting?

II—Outstanding Accomplishments of the Year.

1. In our churches (see statistics).
2. Our Mission Boards (Foreign Board, Home Board).
3. Our Sunday School Board.
4. Our Relief and Annuity Board.
5. Our benevolent institutions (orphanages and hospitals).
6. Our seminaries.
7. Our debt situation.

III—Facing the Future Our Main Task.

1. Finishing paying our debts.
2. A great evangelistic endeavor.
3. Getting ready for a post-war world.
4. Christian stewardship; complete consecration.

A free-will offering that we may be debt-free in '43.

Facing Victory

Despite most unusual conditions, Southern Baptists have had a good year. For the first time in forty years our Foreign Mission Board does not owe a cent and the prospects now are that by the first of July the Home Board can say the same thing. Our three seminaries, with assets of eight million dollars, now owe less than \$350,000. The total debt for all our Southwide agencies and institutions is now less than \$825,000. It was over \$6,500,000 ten years ago. The Hundred Thousand Club is still going strong. Every state shows a substantial increase. We have high hopes that we shall be debt-free by the end of 1943.

Dr. Austin Crouch, executive secretary of the Executive Committee, Nashville, reports the receipts of the Committee for the year show an increase over the past year of \$748,302.44.

Distribution was made each week according to the following ratio of percentages adopted by the Convention at its last session: Foreign Mission Board, 50 per cent; Home Mission Board, 23 1-3 per cent; Relief and Annuity Board, 10 1-3; Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 4 1-5; Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, 4 1-5; Baptist Bible Institute, 4 1-5; W. M. U. Training School, 8-15; American Baptist Theological Seminary, 1; New Orleans Baptist Hospital, 2 1-5.

An All-Time High

According to Dr. E. P. Alldredge, statistical secretary of the Sunday School Board, the total contributions of Southern Baptists in 1942 reached an all-time high level, \$52,247,662, which was over \$1,000,000 for every week in the year, a net increase of \$7,390,055 over the previous year. This was a per capita gift of \$9.75 for each of the 5,367,129 members for all purposes. Of this total amount \$42,565,890 was used for local purposes, being \$7.93 per member; and \$9,681,772 for missions, education and benevolences, only \$1.80 per member.

We now have in the Southern Baptist Convention territory 918 district associations; 25,737 churches with a membership of 5,367,129; baptisms last year, 209,127, a loss of 466; ordained ministers, 21,986, a loss of 761; Sunday schools, 24,725 with an enrollment of 3,430,929, loss of 122,538; Training Unions, 50,726, with an enrollment of 801,567, loss of 152,612; W. M. U., 40,472, with an enrollment of 748,465; W. M. U. contributions, \$3,791,755; value of church property, \$240,131,184, gain of \$7,186,869.

Additional information to be used on Convention Day will be printed in later issues.

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What are your plans for helping the Orphanage reach the goal of \$10,000 as a Mother's Day offering on Sunday, May 9th?

DEER CREEK PASTORS WILL PROMOTE ASSOCIATIONAL PLAN OF WORK

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sociations to build a program, and will then stand by the brethren in an effort to keep the machinery oiled and moving.

Here in the Mississippi Delta, already the greatest farming section on the earth and growing each year with thousands of new acres, there are the most wonderful State Mission opportunities for Mississippi Baptists. Two of the associations already have missionaries, and we hope to have others reaching out into the far places to save the lost.

There are likewise the same fine people and the great missionary possibilities, if not the magic Delta soil, to be found in the hill counties of District Two, Yalobusha, Lafayette, Marshall, Panola, Tate and DeSoto.

E. GAINES HIGHTOWER,
Enlistment Pastor, District 2.

The fine spirit and enthusiasm with which Brother Hightower has entered into the Enlistment Pastor program is to be commended. He is doing a fine work and we deeply appreciate his efforts for all the causes dear to the heart of our Lord.

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CONSTITUTING OF BAPTIST CHURCHES

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a church of Jesus Christ. A Baptist church is an assemblage of baptized believers in Christ associated together for the purpose of edification, fellowship and propagation. They accept the Bible as the inspired Word of God and the all-sufficient and only authoritative rule of faith and practice, and seek to promote the growth of all the members in faith, knowledge and comfort, and constantly endeavor to extend the blessing of the Gospel of Christ to all the world. . . .

When? Negative and Positive

1. Not when a little group of members get mad with the rest of the church and wish to spite them by constituting a church of their own, and thereby seek to spite and defeat their erstwhile brethren.

2. Not when some disgruntled or discredited preacher, wishing to spite the church which will not have him as pastor any longer, leads out his group of followers and sets up an independent organization in order to spite his former members and retain a degree of respectability and leadership which his conduct has forfeited. An organization so constituted has no justifiable title to the name it has assumed.

3. Not in a community where there are already as many churches as the interests of the Kingdom of God requires, while other communities are left destitute of church privileges.

Positively—

1. Wherever there is a sufficiently large group of people who are not being reached or cannot be reached by the reasonable efforts of existing churches.

2. Wherever there is a need or sufficient desire for Baptist doctrine and it is not being sufficiently presented by existing organizations. We must not lose sight of the fact that Baptists have a mission and a message to the world which is not being adequately met by any other church or people in all the world.

Right Method

What is the right method of procedure in organizing a Baptist church?

1. Call a meeting of all those who wish to enter into the new church. To this meeting invite the pastors and leading members of the neighboring churches. Lay out all the reasons in calling for the new organization; solicit and give due weight to the advice of these visitors.

2. If the reasons for the new organization seem sufficient and the visiting brethren approve, let another meeting be called and all who wish to enter the new organization be notified and invited to be present.

3. Let all those wishing to enter the new organization get letters of dismission from their home church for the specific purpose of entering the new organization.

4. When the time has come let the meeting be opened with singing, Scripture reading and prayer, and perhaps a sermon; let a chairman and a sec-

Tithing Corner

WHY I TITHE

There came a time in my life when I did not enjoy my religion. I felt like I was not living as near to God as I should. But I could not tell what was wrong. So I made mention of it to my husband. He said he was like that, too. We prayed together and soon realized that we were failing to do what God wanted us to do. We began tithing right then.

Our two oldest children are Christians. They tithe all they earn. And our two youngest children, seven and nine years old, ask each time they earn any money, "How much of this is God's money?"

Back when I was first converted I had a special friend. She was lots of help to me. She very often said, "Some people endure religion, while other people enjoy religion." I can truly say, "We can't enjoy religion unless we do God's will." We don't tithe to make a show or expect something in return. We tithe for the joy we receive by taking God for our partner and walking hand in hand with Him.

—Mrs. Jasper Wilbanks, Walnut.

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AN APOLOGY LONG OVERDUE!

Now comes the report from Australia of the hanging of an American soldier for the murder of three women. His companions testified he was a good soldier at first, but deteriorated through the excessive use of liquor. America owes that lad and every other lad in khaki an apology that we have given them no protection from the wiles of vice and the designs of the liquor traffic. That young man was formerly a clerk in a grocery store in New York City.

The fact that Uncle Sam called him to the colors is evidence he had no criminal record. "Alcohol primarily affects the brain" (Encyclopedia Britannica). The defense lawyer sensibly questions "whether it may not be out of alcoholic delirium he committed the crime." Who, then, is responsible? We, the people of the United States.

In the Boston Herald, July 22, Bill Cunningham writing, said: "We young soldiers of another war came back from France feeling that we had just left one of the dirtiest countries on the face of the earth. We were glad to get back to one that was clean. I'm talking about morals, not sanitation, although that goes, too. We look at our own saloons and street corners now after 20 years and wonder what in the name of God happened." We repealed the 18th amendment, Mr. Cunningham, built a distillery in the Virgin Islands, invited foreign liquor interests to come in, and opened 400,000 saloon doors. That is what happened.—By Rose Upton Bascom, in The Civic Bulletin.

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Blue Mountain Offering in June From Every Church.

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Dr. Chas. McKay, former pastor, is closing a revival at Van Winkle church Friday night, May 7. He is now pastor at Temple church in Ruston, La.

retary be elected, the letters read, and let all the members thus prepared declare their purpose to enter the new organization; let a confession of faith be read and adopted, a church covenant approved, and the next meeting of the body announced. A name may be adopted, a pastor and deacons elected, or this may be deferred until some future time.

Why follow this method of procedure? There are several weighty reasons:

1. It is the way of wisdom and will prevent the hasty action which will bring regrets and make trouble in the future.

2. This method promotes fellowship and good understanding among the members of the new organization and the pastors and members of neighboring churches.

3. It prevents the preacher who leads in the organization from being discredited as an impulsive, thoughtless and unsafe leader. The young man who places himself under the suspicion of being guilty of such thoughtless impulsiveness will be discredited for years to come.—Biblical Recorder.

GOING PLACES

Our Text: 1 Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

Boland Is a Booster

Another pastor has joined the 100% Club. Leroy Boland, pastor of Isola, Cruger and Straight Bayou churches, is among the progressive young pastors of Mississippi.



REV. LEROY BOLAND

He has completed his work at Mississippi College, and after commencement will move on his field. While carrying a full time church work, his scholastic rating at college has entitled him to graduate with honors. All the churches under his leadership are well-rounded and believe in sharing the gospel with the world, in keeping with the command of the Master. They are among the regular contributors to the missionary enterprises. When asked if he believed in The Baptist Record, Bro. Boland stated: "To the extent that I have put it in every church of which I have been pastor unless they already had it." He believes that Record-reading members make better hearers, better doers of the Word, better soul winners, and better praying Christians than those who are uninformed. He declares that people know what the pastor is preaching about, regardless of his subject when they are informed on all the denominational work.

Union in Pearl River County Joins the Parade

Brother John S. Rester, clerk and treasurer of Union church in Pearl River county, sends us the EVERY FAMILY list for that church and a check for one year.

From Brother Rester we learn that Union church is one among the oldest churches in the county. Rev. S. P. Powell has been the pastor for the past nine years. The church went to full time January 1, 1942. Under the pastor's leadership during the past nine years the church building has been enlarged by building in balconies, a gas heating system has been installed and attic fans put in the building.

Twelve and one-half percent of all their offerings go to the Cooperative Program and they have invested \$1,000 in war bonds to be used as a building fund. Their Service Roll shows that fifty-three of their members are now in the armed service.

Roseland Park Is In

Enlistment Pastor M. E. Perry is still at it. Not long ago he helped in a meeting at Runnelstown and among the several results of that meeting was the EVERY FAMILY Plan. He has sent other lists recently and the latest is a list of 20 from Roseland Park, Pearl River county. We suspect that he was greatly aided by Pastor Morrell Lee. Pastor Lee already having the EVERY FAMILY Plan at Logtown and Gainesville knew of its value. (See The Baptist Record of April 15, page 8.)

Pearl River county now has Baptist Record readers listed as follows: BETHEL 38; Carriere 2; GOODYEAR 20; JUNIPER GROVE 65; PICAYUNE 230; POPLARVILLE 135; UNION 74; ROSELAND PARK 20; PINE GROVE 64; NAPOLEON 31; NICHOLSON 30; NEW PALESTINE 20.

Tunica

We had the privilege of spending Easter Sunday at Tunica supplying for D. L. Sturgis, who was in a meeting at Calvary church in Memphis. Those who know Tunica know that we received every

courtesy that they could offer. One of the fine features of this good church is the way the people listen. The people are in love with their pastor and appreciate the work he is doing.

We enjoyed the hospitality of the D. D. Gibsons, and we mean enjoyed.

Tunica county now has Record readers as follows: DUNDEE 12; TUNICA 62; HOLLYWOOD 18.

MEMPHIS

On a recent trip to Tunica we had a few hours in Memphis. While there we got together with the Mississippians who are now Memphis pastors and had a delightful hour of fellowship along with a good supper. All of them are doing good work just as they did in Mississippi.

WRITE YOUR WILL TODAY HELPFUL LEGAL INFORMATION

WHY WRITE A WILL?

1. If you own property your estate must be administered in the court. By writing a will you can name an executor of your own choice. Without a will the Court will appoint an administrator to handle your estate.
2. Through a properly prepared will substantial savings may be effected in legal costs, court fees and estate taxes.
3. Where there are minors and no will each minor owns an undivided interest in the estate. No single step may be taken except through court proceedings. This procedure is very expensive. It causes delays. It works great hardships. In a will you may set aside a portion of your estate for minor children and leave the remainder to adults who can handle it without expense.
4. Where there is a will the maker chooses those who are to have the estate. Where there is not a will the property goes according to the then existing laws of descent and distribution.
5. For the protection of loved ones, it is often advisable to leave all, or a portion of estate in trust. Only through a will may you afford loved ones this protection.
6. If you die without a will in many cases any business you own must be liquidated. In a will you can provide for its continuance or gradual and orderly liquidation.
7. It is only through a will that a person may make a gift to his church or favorite church institution or charitable organization.
8. There may be other persons than those who would inherit whom you desire to remember. This can only be done through a will.
9. Usually it is after death when loved ones are in greatest need. Through a properly prepared will a person may make requirements and suggestions of great practical value to the inexperienced who come into possession of the property.
10. It is only through a will that a person at death may make a gift of a portion of what God has entrusted to him to institutions serving His cause. At the same time through a will he may place an enduring memorial on the public records reflecting his interest in others.
11. There is no more sacred obligation than for a human while living to arrange by a will so that his property will be efficiently and economically administered.

FORM OF WILL

There are many persons, who for some reason are not quite ready to write their wills in final form but who, in view of the uncertainty of life, desire to assure a gift to the institution of their choice. There are other persons who desire to make a gift to a religious or a charitable institution but who want the remainder of their property to go to those who would receive it if there were no will. Such persons may immediately, with safety, use the form of will below. Just write the will in your own handwriting, sign it and place it with your papers. Fill in the amount you want to give and the name of the institution. The will may be changed at any time. Witnesses are not required if wholly written and signed by maker.

WILL

I, _____
of _____
being above the age of twenty-one years and of sound and disposing mind, do hereby make and publish this my last will and testament.

Item 1. I give and bequeath to _____
the sum of _____ (\$_____) Dollars.

Item 2. All the rest and residue of my estate I give, bequeath and devise to those persons who would inherit it if I had died without executing this will.

Witness my signature to this will, written wholly in my own handwriting and signed by me on this the _____ day of _____, 194____.

Signature _____

If you desire to make disposition of your property other than as provided by the above simple form it is important that you consult with your attorney in writing the will.

REMEMBER THE MASTER IN YOUR WILL!

BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE, Blue Mountain, Miss.

CLARKE MEMORIAL COLLEGE, Newton, Miss.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST ORPHANAGE, Jackson, Miss.

MISS. BAPTIST CONVENTION BOARD, Jackson, Miss.

BAPTIST BIBLE INSTITUTE, New Orleans, La.

RELIEF AND ANNUITY BOARD, Dallas, Texas

SOUTHERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, Louisville, Ky.

SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, Fort Worth, Tex.

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD, Nashville, Tenn.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST HOSPITAL, New Orleans, Louisiana

Baptist Training Union

AIM—Training in Church Membership

AUBER J. WILDS, State Secretary
OXFORD, MISS. JACKSON, MISS.

What We Study This Month—Theme, "We Believe in the Sanctity of the Home"

Programs for May in our Unions are as follows:

First Sunday, The Teachings of the Bible on the Family. Gen. 2:23-24; Gen. 18:19; Prov. 22:6. Second Sunday, Family Worship Builds Homes. Deut. 4:9-10, Acts 10:2. Third Sunday, Christian Behavior in Our Homes. Eph. 6:1-4, 5:22, 25. Fourth Sunday, Alcohol Destroys Homes. Fifth Sunday, Cultivating Missionary Spirit in Our Homes. Come and study these programs with us and help strengthen the greatest institution the Lord founded.

Why Not An Extra Study Course?

Let your extra study course this spring be the study of our new book by Mr. C. Aubrey Hearn, **ALCOHOL THE DESTROYER**. This can be one class of mixed ages as this book gives credit in the Intermediate, Young People's and Adult courses. A fine opportunity for the pastor to challenge this group of his church members. A free copy of the book goes to the teacher upon request when the books for the class are ordered.

Enville In Pontotoc County Organizes

Enville church in Pontotoc has a new pastor, and they also have a new Union. Their pastor, Rev. A. B. Jones of Sherman, has the habit of organizing a Training Union in the churches he pastors if one does not already exist when he goes to the church as pastor. This is what happened at Enville. They start with four unions, Junior, Intermediate, Young People and Adult. Congratulations, Enville, and may this union prove a great blessing to the community.

The Associational Training Union officers in Yazoo county are studying the Associational Manual. This seems the logical thing to do. How can an officer do his work unless he knows what the work is? The Manual points that out and also makes suggestions as to the best way to carry out the plans.

Jasper Associational B. T. U. Reports Progress

Thanks to Mrs. W. H. Smith, associational secretary, for a good report of the work of the Associational B. T. U. In commenting on their work she says, "We are surely making progress. We meet every month for programs and business meetings. More churches are becoming interested and we feel we are getting a blessing. We are planning study courses and are trying to make our association standard." Thank you, Mrs. Smith. Interested, working officers guarantee success.

Miss Beacham Joins the Waves

Miss Velma Beacham, former associational director of Jones county, has a leave of absence for the duration and becomes a Wave; this is not a permanent wave, just a temporary

wave! We have a letter from her from Stillwater, Okla. She says, "I like the navy fine. We are getting some good training. I think we'll better civilians when the war is over because of the training we are getting." Congratulations to the navy.

In March we issued 815 study course awards and organized 19 new unions. Three Story Hours, 7 Junior, 4 Intermediate, 1 Young People's and 4 Adults. April records which will be available perhaps by next week will show a much larger figure in each of these columns.

Osyka Adds Two Unions

A letter from Pastor Thurman Booth of Osyka tells of the organization of a Story Hour and Young People's Union. This was the result of a splendid training school they had in their church recently. We are glad to add these to our growing list and congratulate all concerned.

Topsy-Turvy Twins (revised), is a Junior Mission book that all Juniors ought to have the privilege of studying. Just 25c at the Book Store. Why not organize a class immediately?

And while we are talking about books here is one that a **SELECT FEW** will welcome. I say a "select few" meaning that there are not so many of us who fully appreciate pageantry, but if you do and have someone in your church interested and capable of putting them on, you will certainly want a copy, or copies, of **PAGEANTS OF THE KINGDOM**. This is by Mrs. Myrtle R. Creasman who has had wide experience in writing and directing church dramatics. The price is \$1.25 from the Book Store.

Have You Heard?

Just one month from tomorrow (the 7th) begins our District Training Union Conventions. Material for the contests have both been mailed to all the leaders we have on our mailing list, and we have run these in the Record during the month of April. A copy of the program outline, places of meeting and other information has also been mailed and appeared last week in the Record. If for any reason you did not receive this material drop us a card and it will be sent to you immediately. We are expecting a good attendance at each of the fifteen meetings. June 7-25. Charter a school bus and bring a crowd.

Going to Ridgecrest this summer? It's the best vacation you can take. We will be making some definite announcements about B. T. U. weeks soon. The dates are July 21-27 and July 28-August 3.

There will be no doubt concerning the outcome of the Mother's Day offering for the Orphanage if every loyal Baptist will do his or her part.

Blue Mountain Offering in June From Every Church.

BROTHERHOOD ORIGINS Lawson H. Cooke

In 1907, a group of laymen met in the city of Richmond, Virginia, for the purpose of discussing a movement among the men of our churches which would parallel the work of the Woman's Missionary Society. A resolution was adopted in that conference petitioning the Southern Baptist Convention to authorize such a movement and to incorporate it in our general denominational program. The Southern Baptist Convention received that petition from the laymen's conference, acted favorably upon it, and the movement was launched under the title Laymen's Missionary Movement. Obviously its purpose was to deepen the interest on the part of the men of our churches in our great missionary enterprises. That was back in 1907—thirty-six years ago.

It continued that way until 1926—seventeen years ago—when, again by action of the Southern Baptist Convention, the title was changed from Laymen's Missionary Movement to the Baptist Brotherhood of the South, which is the present official title.

There were two reasons for this change. First, it was thought that men could be more easily enlisted if the scope of the movement was broadened to include the entire denominational program instead of restricting it to one phase of the program—missions.

The second reason for the change of title was psychological. "Laymen's Missionary Movement" might be interpreted as excluding the pastor, whereas "Brotherhood" includes both pastor and layman, which is as it should be—indeed, as it must be—for no pastor can hope to reach the highest possibility of his ministry aside from the cooperation of his laymen, and no layman can ever render his best Christian service aside from the cooperation and counsel of his pastor.

The obvious purpose of reciting this bit of denominational history is to remind ourselves of a fact which is sometimes overlooked—that the Brotherhood Movement is an integral part of the Southern Baptist Convention. It is not something new. It is not an intruder trespassing upon the traditions of Southern Baptists. It is an authorized, a recognized and financed feature of our denominational program; as much so as the Sunday school, the Training Union, our seminaries, our great mission boards, or any other agency or activity recognized among Southern Baptists. Therefore, a church is not complete in its denominational structure without a Brotherhood. It is as incomplete denominationally as it would be if it did not have a Sunday school or a Training Union.

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Someone said: "God couldn't be everywhere, so He made mothers." Aside from any thought of irreverence, these words aptly suggest that most nearly perfect human devotion and affection is attained only in the beautiful unselfishness and intimacy of mother love. Who like she, in childhood, can dry our tears, calm our fears, soothe our hurts and bind up our broken hearts? Through the years she shares each joy and sorrow, bearing our burdens, asking no reward but the blessedness of giving and the pleasure of living for her children.

Doubtless most truly great and good men can attribute a large part of what they are and have accomplished to the inspiring and guiding influence of a good mother. Few, if any, of us appreciate the extent and value of such influence in our own lives. Oft when wayward feet have led us far

R. J. BATEMAN

We, the members of the Shelby County Baptist Pastors' Conference, Memphis, Tenn., desire to express our deep sorrow and keen sense of loss because of the sudden passing of Dr. R. J. Bateman, Sunday afternoon, April 18, 1943.

For the past twelve years Dr. Bateman had been the honored and highly-esteemed pastor of the First Baptist Church of this city. He was to us, and to the Christian brotherhood at large, a brother beloved. In our conference he had been an invaluable asset in making plans, shaping policies, and in taking of right and definite positions on all moral, Biblical and civic issues.

Dr. Bateman was qualified by native ability, training and well-gained experience to exercise a commanding influence with the ranking big men in all walks of life of the community in which he lived.

Our brother beloved was an understanding and sympathetic brother minister among all his fellow pastors. He possessed those cultural qualities which mark a Christian gentleman of a very high order. He had a spontaneous sense of humor, claimed by few men, that could often change an uncertain situation into one of joy. Then he could speak, when occasion demanded it, with dignity and convincing power.

We honor him for what he was himself, for his appreciated leadership among us, for his high abilities as a pulpiteer, for his compassionate ministry as an undershepherd of a great people, for his steadfast adherence to the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

Signed:

R. B. PATTERSON, Chairman,
J. G. LOTT, Asst. Chairman,
BARNEY L. FLOWERS, Sec.

astray, or into danger, and out of reach of her warning voice and restraining hand, a mother's prayers have followed us. Thank God for praying mothers. It is written how the "fervent prayer of the righteous availeth much." It may be that many times our lives have been spared for this. If we be counted worthy to gain the courts of eternal glory, who knows but that it will be in answer to a Christian mother's continual knocking on Heaven's door in prayer?—K. M. Richardson, Gholson, Mississippi.

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

Three Laymen

To date we have information from three associations that their plans are to work toward a Vacation Bible school in every church this year.

The three men who are taking the lead in this great work are three fine laymen. We are indeed grateful for their vision and consecration to the work of the Lord. They are: Mr. W. B. Lowrey, Lauderdale Association; Mr. J. M. Harvey, Zion Association; Mr. C. E. Nichols, Marshall Association. Mr. Lowrey and Mr. Harvey are railroad men, and Mr. Nichols is a merchant.

These men are accustomed to doing a successful work in their secular business and they want to make their program for the Lord just as far-reaching and as successful as possible.

We wish for them every success in the exceedingly important work of striving to get Vacation Bible schools in every church in the association this year. There may be other associational workers who are planning the same thing; if so, we should be mighty glad to hear from them.

Consecrated laymen can be of great help in the work of the Lord. Many times their testimony and efforts will be fruitful when those of some others would not. These three men are busy every day, but they still find time to serve the Lord.

Meridian First

We have received a good report of a splendid training week and some achievements to date this year, and we are glad to pass it along for the help it may be to others to go and do likewise. It is as follows:

"We wish to report our splendid training week. There was an attendance of 112 in the eight classes, four for Sunday school with 53 pupils and four for Training Union with 59 pupils. Supper was served at 6:00 o'clock by the Esther and Bethany classes and the courses began at 6:30. At 7:30 there was a 10-minute recreation period with Miss Brickey in charge, then another study period.

"April and May are perhaps the best Sunday school months of the year. We have had our training periods, now we shall put our knowledge to work. Spirit is the thing that builds the church program—enthusiasm, determination, daring, radiance and

optimism. These qualities may be engendered and built up through training.

"A standard Sunday school! For the first time since 1935 we have a standard Sunday school. We are proud of this because in a large school it is no easy task. It shows that good leadership and cooperation on the part of all officers and teachers have played their part in promoting this balanced program. In spite of the fact that 183 of our Young People of the Sunday school are in the service of our country, our average attendance for the past six months has been 551."

Elementary Clinic a Success

The Citywide Elementary Clinic sponsored by the Sunday school department during the past week was a great success in every sense of the word. Of the seven Jackson churches six participated in this week's work. Classes were taught in every department. Miss Allene Bryan and Miss Pauline Hargiss, from the Southwide office in Nashville, taught the Primary and Beginner books. Mrs. Keith C. Von Hagen, also from Nashville, taught the Cradle Roll class. The Junior classes were handled by Mrs. L. W. Ferrell, of Jackson, and Miss Carolyn Madison. The enrollment was 97 with an average attendance of 69. All classes were held in the Elementary department of the First church. During the day visits were made to the other churches with our visiting workers offering practical suggestions as to the improvement of their Elementary departments. We feel that this week is going to be a great help to the Elementary workers in the city of Jackson.

Ridgecrest

The Ridgecrest program will continue this summer as usual in spite of the handicaps of war. This year each week's work will begin on Wednesday and run through the following Tuesday which will enable the people to travel and yet avoid the week-end crowds on buses and trains.

A special feature of the Ridgecrest program this year is the special week of July 7-13 for Associational Sunday school officers. The entire week will be given to a study and discussion of the work of the associational officers with a view to helping them promote a greater program of Sunday school and Vacation Bible school work in their respective fields.

Since the associational Sunday school officers serve without pay, it would certainly be a great thing for the churches to pay the expenses of the associational Sunday school superintendent anyway to the Ridgecrest Conference for July 7-13. If one or two other officers could also be sent, it would be still better. If this is done, some one must take the lead in the matter of presenting it to the churches in time to have the money for the trip. Certainly the churches could well afford to send the associational Sunday school superintendent anyway to this great week at Ridgecrest for inspiration and information on this vital phase of our

SKILTON-CREAL

Miss Mary Frances Skilton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Skilton, Blue Mountain, and Sgt. Robert L. Creal, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert L. Creal, Knoxville, Tenn., were united in marriage Saturday afternoon in the Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church, the groom's father performing the ceremony. Mrs. Creal is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Skilton, and a graduate of Blue Mountain College. The college chorus sang the bridal chorus from "The Rose Maiden," directed by Miss Linda Berry, accompanied by Mrs. J. E. Buchanan, organist. Ushers were Dr. E. H. Cox, Dr. Wilfred Tyler, Prof. Alonzo Donnell and Prof. George W. Beswick. Mrs. L. M. Gatlin was the bride's only attendant. The bride's father gave her in marriage and Quitman Hardin of Blue Mountain was the best man.

—BR—

EASTER AT CAMP LEE, VA.

As dawn began to streak the eastern sky, alarm clocks called officers and enlisted men throughout the camp, and soon streets were filled with men going to the big amphitheatres in three sections of the camp. At central places, brass bands met the crowd and led the way through a wooded dell and over a small hill. This soul-stirring music, accompanying the tread of marching columns thrilled one's very being. Back of the platform was erected an "old rugged cross," and standing in front of this, the post chaplain, Col. Walter F. Humphrey brought a glorious message on "The Citadel of Christianity." The climax came in the playing of "The Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's "Messiah."

All of the chapels were crowded with worshippers at the regular hours. It rejoices the heart and gives one real confidence as he faces the future to see our men seriously expressing their faith and seeking fellowship with their living Lord.—Ira D. Eavenson, chaplain.

—BR—

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program.

Time Yet But Short

There is yet ample time to plan for your Vacation Bible school, but there is not too much time. It is now May and the vacation period is getting well started. Therefore, make plans now for a great Vacation Bible school. Even though it may not be all you would want it to be in times like this, neither do we have any other phase of the work just as we would like to have it. Order the free package of literature on this work at any time. Very encouraging reports are coming to us all along of the extensive plans being made in some associations for their summer program of vacation schools. This is certainly as it should be. Let's not fail our boys and girls in these times.

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John F. Henderson has accepted the care of the Gloster church.

F. M. Purser, who has been in the education department of the Foreign Mission Board, has been appointed chaplain in the army.

T. A. J. Beasley has accepted the presidency of Clarke Memorial College.

At Camp Shelby our boys have banded themselves together . . . and are using the B. Y. P. U. literature, though they do not call their organization a B. Y. P. U.

The Iuka Sunday school observed Mission Day March 31 with an offering of \$73 being made.

Pastor R. L. Bunyard of Hollandale writes that 46 were added to the church, 24 by letter and 22 by baptism, during the year.

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Lesson for May 9 CHRIST IN THE LEADERS OF THE EARLY CHURCH

Bible Texts: Acts 2:37-41; 3:1-8;
4:13, 18-21

Introduction.

Learn the story from the Bible. In order thereto, read these chapters again and again. Of course it may be said that God's messengers are important in the spread of His truth, but we do need to keep ourselves constantly reminded that they are God's messengers, just messengers, and important in the plan of God not because they are good with a goodness of their own, but because, and only because, of the goodness of Him to whom they belong. They belong to God, and only as, and so long as, they keep themselves yielded to Him do their lives count in the work of His Kingdom. Let us look at Peter and John as agents in the work of the Lord, as the Lord shows them to us through Luke in the passages before us.

I. Peter's Pentecostal Sermon.

Begin at the first verse of the second chapter and read all the account of what took place on the day of Pentecost. Begin with Peter at verse 14, and see whether you can follow the method he employed in this discourse. Would you say that the Lord used Peter that day? Would you say that the method Peter employed that day was effective in soul-winning? Would you say that his sermonic method on that occasion has been outmoded since? He just read the Scriptures from memory, explained the meaning of those Scriptures, showed how those Scriptures were fulfilled in Jesus, that is, he illustrated the meaning of the Scriptures which he was preaching and, finally, he applied the teaching of those Scriptures to the lives of his hearers. Is that what preaching is? Is there very much of it being done these days? How often do I stand in my pulpit and use up a half-hour in getting the brethren notified as to what I think, instead of giving them the teaching of the word of God? Yesterday a man asked me what I thought of a sermon preached in our hearing by a certain brother of another persuasion. "What did you think of the sermon last evening?" "I did not hear one. I heard a man read a passage from the word of God, and then talk for 30 minutes without the remotest reference or allusion to his text, or any truth the text was given to inculcate."

But Peter's Lord had charge of Peter's personality that day, and Peter preached from the Old Testament Scriptures Christ Jesus as Lord

to the glory of God the Father. And look at the result!

II. Instructing the First Christian Converts.

Begin at Acts 2:37 and read what effect Peter's words had on the hearts of those who heard him as evidenced by their question, "What shall we do?" "Repent ye, and be baptized." Repentance is not salvation. That is of the Lord; but the Lord can not because He will not save the unrepentant. Repentance is an internal change which conditions salvation. It is a necessity unto salvation, and it must of necessity be sincere. No external substitute will avail for this sincere internal change. It is a change of mind regarding God, and Christ, and ourselves, and sin. It is that change of a sinner's mind, a change deep and radical, affecting the whole spiritual nature and involving the entire personality, which leads a sinner to resolve to turn from his evil ways and live.

Every believer should be baptized. The Lord told Peter to tell those conscience smitten people to be baptized. Baptism is a declaration, an open avowal, a public taking of a stand, an oath of allegiance to a Lord, an act of dedication to a new course in life, a donning of the uniform of the King of kings.

III. The Lord Heals a Lame Man. Acts 3:1-8.

Read the story. "Why fasten ye your eyes on us, as though by our own power or goodness we had made him to walk?" The miracle of the healing of the lame man was not a miracle of Peter and John, but a miracle of the risen and regnant Lord. He had simply committed to Peter and John the stewardship of a power not their own, and they wielded that power in His name and at His command. The lame man expected to receive a gift of worth, but had no slightest idea of the superlative worth of that which he was about to receive. "Look out," and he looked upon them expecting that they would give him a coin. "Silver and gold have I none." With what disappointment did the poor man hear Peter say this! What else could anyone give him? "What I have, that I give thee." Thus the need of the world is to be met, lives are to be brightened, saddened hearts are to be lightened, souls are to be saved. The Lord asks us not for the extension to anyone of anything we do not have, and the beauty of Christian giving is that there are so many other things of more value than silver and gold. The sympathy of a loving heart that feels the weight of another's woe, the word of encouragement when another's courage has failed, the word of the gospel to the soul that is lost in sin—all these are far more precious than gold. Here was the Lord's man with a word of power, able to give potency to the ankle bones of an impotent man! How great infinitely above all power to estimate it the worth of this

If you do not have an opportunity to make an offering on Mother's Day for the Orphanage, make it sometime during the month. Let us make this the lovely month of May for the boys and girls who have been committed to our care for support and training.

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If you are a reader of Westbrook Pegler's syndicated articles in the secular press, be sure that you keep in mind his religious bias as revealed by the fact, while he berates the United Mine Workers and the American Federation of Labor, he fails to point out any defect with the group led by his Catholic friend Phil Murray. If the Roman church can secure control of organized labor, then evangelical religion will see the days of "great tribulation" and freedom will be destroyed.—Western Recorder.

gift! What has the Lord gifted you withal? There is something, and the Lord accounts it of worth so great that He has made it your peculiar possession that, by means of it, you may bless the word of needy men.

See what Peter did to this man. Did he have to touch the man in order to heal him? Why did he do so?

First place the healed man went was into the temple, and the purpose which took him there was that he might praise the Lord. What for? Did you ever talk over with your wife or kinsman or friend the matter of your gifts from God, and the need of praise and thanksgiving you owe Him? Get up on Sunday morning, or lie in bed for that matter, and count your blessings, naming them one by one? How long a list could you make right now of things which God has sent you to make you happy?

Your opportunity and opportunity of the church are just about the same. A needy world lies just outside the beautiful gate which opens on all the wonders and blessings of God! But the needy world will never get into the service and salvation of God except His servants, who are called by His name and are known as His representatives meet their opportunity to tell and travel, serve and suffer for His dear sake and in the might of His strength.

IV. A Girding That Strengthens Against Tribulation.

Read chapter 4. See how when persecution came, the Lord made His servants strong to withstand it. They asked for no cozy corners or soft spots; but only for boldness to speak the truth for God. When dangers threatened, they did not ask for havens of refuge from the storms; but they did desire to be found faithful to the Lord in the midst of every trial. Nor did the Lord promise them or you or me that we should escape suffering and be carried to the skies on beds of ease; but He did promise His presence to those who would be faithful, and this promise He has kept to all His servants everywhere and everywhen.

KNOW YOUR BIBLE

1. How far back were navies known, and if so, where in the Bible is it referred to?

2. Soon we will celebrate Mother's Day. Is this a recent custom, or an ancient practice?

3. Would you say that the quotation, "Can a man take fire in his bosom and his clothes not be burnt," was said by Shakespeare, Keats, Tennyson, or is it found in the Bible?

4. Walt Whitman, famous author, paid a fine compliment to the Bible. Can you quote Whitman's tribute?

(Correct answer on Page 15)

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Under this heading a letter from the Chaplain, Headquarters U. S. Air Forces at an overseas installation, was issued by the Commanding General to Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers of all units of the Force for information and cooperation. Because of its sound philosophy and great spiritual emphasis the letter is reproduced in part:

"There has been a great deal of misunderstanding, both on the part of some chaplains themselves and of many officers and enlisted men, of the nature of the work and mission of the chaplaincy. The tendency has been to emphasize activities that are tangible, visible and material. Human nature wants to see results. The chaplain for many years was the Army's principle dependence for the promotion of athletics, recreation, entertainment, education and other facilities for wholesome use of the leisure hours of soldiers. Welfare agencies of all sorts were mainly the chaplain's responsibility.

"Necessity and lack of vision were the causes of this situation. There was a general sense of the need of some means of keeping men's interest keen, their minds occupied, and their hands and bodies employed. Some variation from military routine, some relaxation from the discipline of training, professional exercise, duties and requirements on permanent posts and in the field must be provided. It was realized, more or less, that such diversity in his off duty hours helped to make a man more effective when on duty.

"The Special Services Branch is the result. The Special Services Officer, Col. ———, has arrived, with a staff of trained officers, to put on a full program in this line in the ———. Lt. ——— had it ably started to the full extent of facilities afforded. Col. ——— has now taken over to put it through full blast, with more equipment and funds than the chaplains ever dreamed of, but still far from enough.

"Another agency, the American Red Cross, is also developing its program to help ease the strain upon the soldier mind.

"But at last the chaplain is free to devote himself with all his powers of physical energy, soul, mind and spirit to his real office, the highest any humble man can fill, the ministry of God! At last the chaplain is free to develop to the height of his ability the spiritual possibilities of his peculiar function. He can now give himself wholly to 'cure of souls.' There is every opportunity for him to know by name every man for whom he has any responsibility, become acquainted with the details of individual men's histories, traits of character, weaknesses, difficulties and elements of strength, and, as a friend and spiritual counsellor, to strengthen and guide men toward their best as men and as soldiers. In this, his real field, the chaplain has no competitor. This is the only reason why a minister, as such, should be in the Army. any others can do all else better than he can, but no one but a minister can fully accomplish a minister's mission. This diagnosis and this treatment of a soul's ills are peculiarly the chaplain's work.

"Whatever a man may think about his own 'religiousness' it remains a fact that his relation to God determines what he is and the nature and value of what he does. In that final moment when a soldier becomes an enemy target and, conquering fear, must forget that fact as he throws his whole being into action against the foe is what he is inside that matters. All the supports of play, sport and diversion fall away. He is 'on his own.' If that inner strength which comes only through a healthy relationship to his Maker and Father is his, he will measure up to that supreme moment. He will

A. W. TALBERT RESIGNS
MONTGOMERY PASTORATE

The Montgomery Baptist Church in Lincoln county has enjoyed a splendid period of development under the leadership of their pastor, A. W. Talbert of Jackson, who recently resigned, after eleven years' service. During this time the church remodeled its building, enlarging the space for Sunday school and Training Union work in a basement and an annex. The building has been improved and redecorated, with a balcony built built which would seat 100 people.

The Montgomery church is missionary in spirit, having held to the rule of sending at least 10% of their funds to the Cooperative Program, to share with others. They also accepted their Now Club quota, and have already paid ahead of their schedule. The pastor's salary has been raised during these years, in keeping with the growth of the work.

Under Bro. Talbert's pastorate the membership has more than doubled, and service has increased to half time. Deacons have been ordained to aid in the growing work. The Woman's Missionary Society is also doing well.

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The Orphanage wishes to thank you for your consideration of the welfare and support of the boys and girls of this Home and the splendid manner in which you have helped to meet their needs. We know you will continue this fine service by making an offering on Mother's Day.

W. M. U. headquarters of Louisiana will be moved to Shreveport. During its annual meeting in that city March 30-April 1 the W. M. U. Convention voted overwhelmingly to move their state offices from New Orleans.—Baptist Message.

—BR—

Blue Mountain Offering in June From Every Church.

meet the fury of death itself, if it comes. He will not fail. This is the most glorious soldier of all. Indeed, it is the only glory of a soldier—that he is such a man that NOTHING can turn him from that duty he is on that spot to perform! The inward man he is, he is because he has put things in their proper place, which is to say, his Maker is at the head of all. By whatever name one attempts to describe it, it is religion that does this just the same—religion as taught and lived by Jesus, in Whom are concentrated all the mighty truths of the Hebrew prophets and lawgivers, capped by his own knowledge of and kinship to God. Such 'religion' is after all, the greatest, the basic factor in the morale which effectuates the making of a real man and a real soldier. Without it no man is ever the best man or the best soldier he can be.

"There is no conflict between any other official agency in the Army and the chaplain. The secular activities in which chaplains have been necessarily engaged so much have indeed their great value and it is a wonderful and wise provision that has now been made to carry them to their fullest possibilities, but no truly thoughtful person will think of substituting them for religion. At last the chaplain is privileged to give himself to his exacting and awful task. (And how the heart of a true minister of Christ swells at the thought.) He is assigned to know every enlisted man and officer so well that he becomes to each one a guide into the presence of God, and an instructor in the building of that manhood which is a real soldier's!"

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3. Get your Sunday school class, B. T. U., Brotherhood, W. M. U., and B. S. U. to make pledges and payments.
4. Get your church to assume its goal. Urge it to pay that goal.
5. Get your association to "go over the top" in the matter.
6. Treasurers remit promptly.
7. Pray with us for victory!

IT CAN BE DONE

Somebody said that it couldn't be done,
But he with a chuckle replied
That "maybe it couldn't," but he would be one
Who wouldn't say so till he'd tried.
So he buckled right in with the trace of a grin
On his face. If he worried he hid it.
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done, and he did it.

Somebody scoffed: "Oh, you'll never do that;
At least no one ever has done it."
But he took off his coat and he took off his hat,
And the first thing we knew he'd begun it.
With a lift of his chin and a bit of a grin,
Without any doubting or quiddit,
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done, and he did it.

There are thousands to tell you it cannot be done,
There are thousands to prophesy failure;
There are thousands to point out to you one by one
The dangers that wait to assail you.
But just buckle in with a bit of a grin,
Just take off your coat and go to it;
Just start in to sing as you tackle the thing
That "cannot be done," and you'll do it.

This money went for Christian Education in our fine denominational colleges. We still have the investments. We have our boys and girls—many of our leaders—educated and trained there.

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Jesus said, "No man, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God." Luke 9:62.

"Now therefore perform the doing of it." I Cor. 8:11.

"Owe no man anything, but to love one another." Romans 13:8.

"I will pay my vows NOW in the presence of all his people." Ps. 116:14, 18.

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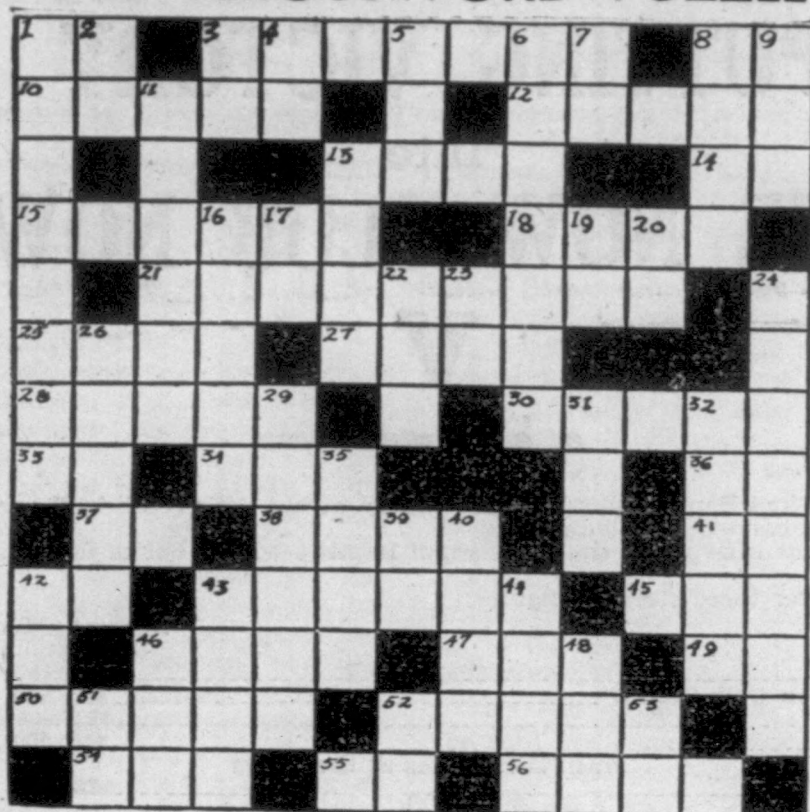
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OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



"And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you."—Eph. 4:32.

KINDNESS

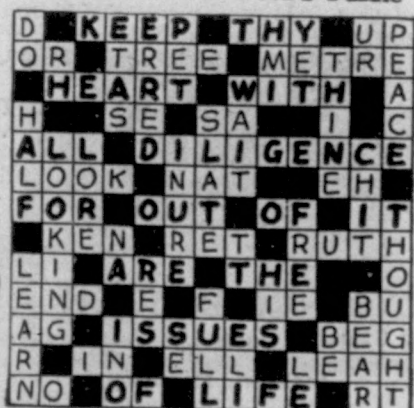
Across

- 1 ... John.
3 "... shall cover the multitude of sins," I Peter 4:8.
8 Buyer's option.
10 A drunkard.
12 Wife of Menelaus.
13 "he shall grow as the ..." Hosea 14:5.
14 Diphthong.
15 Son of Haman, Esther 9:9.
18 "Prophet was beforetime called a ..." I Sam. 9:9.
21 "and ... not our feet to be moved," Ps. 66:9.
25 "do ... unto all men," Gal. 6:10.
27 "thinketh no ..." I Cor. 13:5.
28 Sea-eagles.
30 Kindness.
33 Road.
34 "Why is thy countenance ..." Neh. 2:2.
36 Upper Canada.
37 "called the altar ..." Josh. 22:34.
38 "call upon him as ... as I live," Ps. 116:2.
41 Gill.
42 Pair.
43 Genus of insects.
45 Wharf.
46 "Neither will I ... my face any more," Ezek. 39:29.
47 Contest.
49 Trade-union.
50 Numbers between twelve and twenty.
52 City in Benjamin; I Sam. 19:22.
54 "a hungered, ... ye gave me meat," Matt. 25:35.
55 "desire of a man ... his kindness," Prov. 19:22.
56 "be ye ... one to another," Eph. 4:32.
Our text is 3, 21, 38, 54, 55 and 56 combined.

Down

- 1 "a ..., and ye took me in," Matt. 25:35.
2 "Give ... him that asketh," Matt. 5:42.
3 Civil engineer.

Answer to Last Week's Puzzle



A CATECHISM

(Q) What is the goal of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign?

(A) \$200,000.00 additional endowment for the college.

(Q) How much of this has been obtained?

(A) \$90,000.00 in cash, war savings bonds and stamps was obtained in the first phase of the campaign.

(Q) When this additional \$200,000.00 has been obtained, how much endowment will Blue Mountain College have?

(A) About \$500,000.00.

(Q) Why should Blue Mountain have an endowment fund?

(A) If it were not for income from endowment, the amount students would have to pay to cover tuition, college fees, and administrative expenses would be almost twice as much as it is now, and only girls in good financial circumstances could afford to go to college.

(Q) What is an endowment fund?

(A) An endowment fund is a sacred trust. It cannot be spent and will last forever. Only the interest the fund earns can be used and this is used for current expenses—faculty salaries and administrative expenses; thus enabling the student to attend college at considerably less cost to her.

(Q) Is there any other reason why a college should have a minimum of \$500,000.00 endowment?

(A) Yes. The Southern Association of Colleges, made up of the colleges themselves, requires a minimum endowment of \$500,000.00 of all members of the association which do not receive annual guaranteed sums from a sponsoring agency. The Southern Association of Colleges protects the students and the public academically, much like the American Medical Association and the American Bar Association protect the public medically and legally. If it were not for the standards set by the Southern Association of Colleges, the colleges issuing the prettiest catalogues might obtain the most students regardless of the quality of work given.

(Q) Is Blue Mountain College a member of the Southern Association of Colleges?

(A) Yes, and also a member of the Association of American Colleges.

(Q) Is Blue Mountain College accredited spiritually?

(A) Yes, by the word of God which is its guide of faith and practice.

(Q) What is the plan for the second phase of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign?

(A) All of the 1,500 Baptist churches in Mississippi are asked to make an offering in June. The full-time churches will make their offering on June 27 and half-time and quarter-time churches on the Sundays they meet in June.

(Q) Why June?

(A) Because June is designated as Christian Education Month by Southern Baptists.

(Q) Will this be an intensive organized effort?

(A) No, there will be no field men.

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Smarting
Cracks
Surprisingly relieved by gentle cleansing and the soothing medication of
RESINOL OINTMENT AND SOAP

The pastors will simply be asked to keep the people informed and present the opportunity for a real offering in June.

(Q) What preparation for the offering will be made?

(A) Literature will be sent to pastors and their leaders for distribution. Talks will appear in The Baptist Record and the secular press. It is hoped that prayers for God's blessings on the offering will be made in May and June in every Baptist church in Mississippi and in their Sunday schools, Training Unions and Woman's Missionary Societies.

(Q) Why ask Baptist churches to make an offering to Blue Mountain College Endowment?

(A) Because Blue Mountain is owned and controlled by Mississippi Baptists.

(Q) Why is Blue Mountain engaging in a campaign now?

(A) Blue Mountain was ready to launch its campaign on several different occasions, but each time at the request of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, Blue Mountain postponed its campaign in deference to cash campaigns, the Five Thousand Club, and the Now Club, which the Convention itself wanted to launch.

Finally at Meridian in November, 1941, the Convention again authorized Blue Mountain to inaugurate its campaign within a year or two.

It seems to be the consensus of opinion among Mississippi Baptists that, since Blue Mountain has postponed its campaign several times at the behest of the Convention, it is now Blue Mountain's time—until the \$200,000.00 is obtained.

(Q) If a slogan were desirable, what would be a good one to use?

(A) "REMEMBER BLUE MOUNTAIN IN JUNE."

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most important organs. Taken regu-
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against such symptoms. Also a fine
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tions. Worth trying!

Seven girls from the Orphanage will be graduated from Central high school in Jackson this year. Ten girls and two boys will complete their grammar school education in our own school on the Orphanage campus. If you have made a gift to the Orphanage direct, or through the special days observed in your church, or through the local budget, a part of which is given through the Cooperative Program, you have an investment in these boys and girls. If you want a larger investment, make a gift to the Orphanage on Mother's Day.

Rev. D. I. Young is enthusiastic about his work. He preached four times Sunday, April 25, had two additions and visited four homes. He has witnessed 38 additions to his church this year. This is fine testimony from the ministry of another Convention Board member.

THE RIGHT TREND

It isn't always easy to keep in mind the fact, "that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to His purpose." But nevertheless we know it is so, and as we see the trend through the columns of The Baptist Record of the movement of organizations, in an effort to major on evangelism, it does my heart good. . . . Our leaders have awakened to the fact of the vast importance of regenerated membership in our churches, for which I am truly grateful. Dr. Lipsey's address before the Southern Baptist Press Association on "Baptist Liberty" was a masterpiece. It will do to read and re-read, and also to heed. Also the address by Rev. J. R. G. Hewlett of Charleston, Miss., on "Doctrinal Evangelism" was good and timely.

There is nothing that encourages me like seeing and hearing CHRIST PREACHED.

Remember that the Lord Jesus Christ is the Foundation Stone, not only of individual salvation, but of every blessing that we receive and enjoy, both spiritual and material. And only those who abide in fellowship with Him bring forth fruit to any degree of perfection.

And, also, those who follow the leadership of the Holy Spirit make it a rule to preach Christ first, and last, and all the time. . . . He is our life, our all. I feel like the apostle Paul when he wrote to the Philippians, as follows: "And many of the brethren in the Lord waxing confident by my bonds, are much more bold to speak the word without fear. Some indeed preach Christ even of envy and strife; and some also of good will: the one preach Christ of contention, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my bonds; but the other of love, knowing that I am set for the defense of the gospel. What then? Notwithstanding, every way, whether in pretence or in truth, Christ is preached; and I therein do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice." (Phil. 1:14-18.)—J. E. Heath.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS TO CURB DELINQUENCY

Indianapolis (RNS)—To help curb juvenile delinquency and to aid mothers engaged in war work, all Protestant churches of Marion county will unite to double the number of vacation church schools. A special conference making plans for 150 of these vacation schools was held at Central Christian Church here, sponsored by the Marion County Council of Christian Education. Directors of religious education, Sunday school teachers and officers, representatives of parent-teacher groups, and members of the police department attended the conference and are assisting in the plan.

An old lady walked into the judge's office.

"Are you the judge of reprobates?" she inquired.

"I am the judge of probate," replied his honor, with a smile.

"Well, that's it, I expect," answered the old lady. "You see," she went on, confidentially, "my husband died detested, and left several little infidels and I want to be their executioner."

Blue Mountain Offering in June From Every Church.

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After hours of anxiety, a headache is the last straw. But it quickly yields to Capudine, which also soothes nerves upset by the pain. Capudine is liquid. No waiting for it to dissolve before or after taking. So it's really quick. Use only as directed. 10c, 30c, 60c.

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INVERNESS WELCOMES NEW PASTOR

Members of the Inverness church welcomed their new pastor, L. J. Crumby, and his family on Easter Sunday. The new pastor comes from Coffeeville, Mississippi, and succeeds Rev. C. W. Baldrige, who resigned in January after serving 13 and one-half years.

We already feel that Bro. Crumby, his wife and three children are a blessing and an asset to our spiritual and community life.—Board of Deacons, Inverness Baptist Church, R. A. Melton, chairman.

NINE JONES SOLDIER BOYS ARE SOLID CHURCHMEN

Stanton, Tenn. (RNS)—The nine Jones boys, colored, are all in the army and all in church every Sunday.

"With the help of the Lord, we'll win this war," their father, Julius Caesar Jones, 67, and father of 20 children, told Religious News Service after Madison County Draft Board No. 1 in Jackson had deferred his tenth and youngest son, Marshall, 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones were standing on the steps of the little Dancyville Methodist Church where all their 17 living children have been members. It was Sunday and they never miss a service even if they have worked hard all week growing food and cotton on their 104-acre farm.

They did not brag because of the number of sons they have given to the army. But they were proud because their soldier sons have never strayed from the religious principles that they were taught as children.

"They've all been good boys," Mrs. Jones said proudly. "I've never paid out one penny for any misbehavior on their part. Anywhere they've lived, they can come back again and be welcome. They all belong to the church, and every letter they write me they tell me they go to church every Sunday. They tell me not to worry about them, because the Lord will take care of them."

Mr. Jones believes that his sons have grown up to be good churchmen and good citizens because he insisted that they be educated in religious schools. Six of the nine boys have attended Lane College, conducted by the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church at Jackson, Tenn., helping to pay their own way while in school.

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Chester M. Savage

Called and Accepted

M. F. Cottingham, Bokchito, Okla.
W. L. Watson, Higginsville, Mo.
Carl A. Clark, Stephens, Ark.
Clark Holt, Forest Avenue, Kansas City, Mo.
Odis Rainer, Crosby, Tex.
Victor F. Crabtree, Granite, Okla.
A. P. Elliff, Antlers, Okla.
W. P. Cure, Westside, Stamford, Texas.
W. B. Underwood, Jonesboro, Ga.
D. C. Bussell, Royston, Ga.
F. W. Gunn, East church, Columbia, Miss.
P. M. Acker, Locust Grove, Ga.
C. L. Niceley, Dresden, Tenn.
Luther Rowe, Columbiana, Alabama.
Roy S. Hollomon, Exchange Avenue, Oklahoma City, Okla.
Roy C. Matthews, McDonough, Ga.
Paul F. Burke, Savage, Maryland.
L. J. Crumby, Inverness, Miss.
Merrill Larson, Santa Rosa, N. Mex.
H. H. Boston, Martin, Tenn.
Edgar Parker, Fairfield, Tex.
Earl W. Powell, Evergreen, Ala.
L. A. Brown, Trinity, Dallas, Tex.
L. E. Rambo, Raymondville, Tex.
Homer F. Britton, Tabernacle, Chattanooga, Tenn.
J. W. Caldwell, Immanuel, Independence, Mo.
W. Frank Moore, Double Springs, Ala.
F. C. Rowland, Newkirk, Okla.
Dr. Allen Graves, Fort Pierce, Fla.
Ralph Kerley, Springdale, Tulsa, Okla.

Resigned

Homer F. Britton, Central, Florence, Ala.
W. Frank Moore, Leighton, Ala.
F. C. Rowland, Perkins, Okla.
Ralph Kerley, Tyrone, Ark.
Herbert H. Boston, Central, Muskogee, Okla.
W. L. Watson, Connor Avenue, Joplin, Mo.
Clark Holt, Lockwood, Mo.
J. F. Bow, Siloam Springs, Ark.
A. P. Elliff, Ashdown, Ark.
W. B. Underwood, Douglasville, Ga.
D. C. Bussell, Abbeville, Ga.
C. L. Niceley, Vine Grove, Ky.
Roy S. Hollomon, Immanuel, El Paso, Tex.
W. A. Ayres, Forest City, S. D.
John Phillips, Dupon, Ill.
Paul F. Burke, Greensboro, Md.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U. ATTENDANCE

	SS	BTU
Yazoo City First	257	
West Point First	423	121
Cross Roads (Webster)	41	
Crystal Springs	341	114
Friendship (Lincoln)	101	54
New Albany First	463	136
Bear Creek (Attala)	120	
Fellowship (Jasper)	77	
Ackerman	112	34
Louisville First	414	91
Jackson First	1037	
West Laurel	492	106
Calvary Jackson	962	212
Bethlehem (Jones)	76	64
Wallerville	72	57
Kreole	104	33

"The fellowship of friendship is never a hardship."

"People who usually do the most, usually brag the least."

Answers To

Know Your Bible

Feature on Page Twelve.

1 (Navy): King Solomon made use of a navy. See I Kings 9:26.

2. (Mother's Day): It was an ancient Grecian custom, the children honoring their mothers with gifts, on mid-Lent Sunday.

3. (Can a man take fire, etc.): It is from the Bible. See Proverbs 6:27.

4. (Whitman's tribute to the Bible): "How many ages and generations have brooded and wept and agonized over this book! What untellable joys and ecstasies, what support to martyrs at the stake, from it! To what myriads has it been the shore and rock of safety—the refuge from driving tempest and wreck! Translated in all languages, how it has united this diverse world! Of its thousands there is not a verse, not a word, but is thick-studded with human emotion."

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Mrs. J. H. Street,
new president of
the Woman's Mis-
sionary Union.

UNITED PROTESTANTISM ANSWERS ROMAN CATHOLIC PROPAGANDA

In June, 1942, World Outlook called attention to the fact that the Roman Catholic hierarchy was using the Good Neighbor Policy in an attempt to oust Protestant missionaries from Latin America. So open has the drive become that the Catholic hierarchy in the United States has issued a public document calling for the elimination of Protestantism.

United American Protestantism has at last been forced to take public notice of this campaign, and a statement has been issued by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, and the Home Missions Council of North America. These bodies take their stand upon the broad ground of religious liberty and the rights of religious minorities—one of the Four Freedoms of the Atlantic Charter, subscribed to by nearly all the Latin American nations but in effect openly repudiated by the Roman Catholic church.

The fight against religious liberty and the evangelical gospel may be expected to become more intense. The hierarchy sees in our present government policy a golden opportunity. Pressure is being applied to our government and to the governments of the Latin American countries, and there are those who see signs that such pressure is having results. Those who believe in any of the Four Freedoms for which the United Nations are fighting should watch these developments closely.

The statement of United States Protestantism follows in part:

Our Heritage of Religious Freedom

The struggle for freedom, now raging throughout the world, turns our thoughts to our American heritage. The men who founded the United States sought freedom under God in the western world and bequeathed freedom to their heirs as their most precious possession. At a very early time in the nation's history liberty was granted to all religious groups to enter the national territory and to practice and propagate their faith within and outside the nation. In keeping with this doctrine of religious freedom, which is inherent in Christianity and associated historically with the Protestant expression of the Christian religion, the rights of religious minorities, both Christian and non-Christian, have been sedulously respected. . . .

In the exercise of this freedom, and under the sole impulse of their religious faith, Protestant Christians from the United States have been emissaries of good will in every region of the globe. Through the circulation of the Bible in a thousand languages and the proclamation of the truths contained therein, by the establishment of schools and hospitals, by industrial and agricultural effort in rural areas, representatives of American Protestantism have given practical expression to the implications of the Christian gospel. They have also co-operated with national groups in many lands to promote human welfare in all its phases. By such activities they created, as an undesigned but happy consequence a reservoir of good will toward this

FURNISHING THE FINALE

In a way not described here, a cross section of reader opinion concerning The Baptist Record is being ascertained.

Below is given a general questionnaire which all our readers who are not otherwise approached are asked to fill out and send to the paper promptly.

Study the questionnaire. It is explicit. Please answer it explicitly according to your best judgment.

The results will be tabulated for future reference and guidance.

Now be sure to tell what you think about The Baptist Record, good or bad.

Your response is eagerly awaited.

Ready! Aim! Go!—yes, Fire! if you want to!

Baptist Record Reader Interest Survey

Age-----

Sex-----

Name, in order, your three favorite features of The Baptist Record:

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Suggestions for better paper -----

Note: The Baptist Record respectfully requests that no one give his or her name. Your conscientious answers, however, will be greatly appreciated and very helpful. The only cost to you will be the stamp for returning this form fully executed, but this cost will be easily justified by the service of love you render. All questionnaires should be returned before the close of May.

country.

This may be equally affirmed of the work of Protestant Christians in the lands of Asia and Africa and in the Hispanic American lands which are our neighbors. . . .

It is with deep concern, therefore, that we have witnessed an effort now publicly endorsed in the United States by the archbishops and bishops of a sister Christian communion which constitutes a religious minority in this country to set the relation of Protestant Christianity to Hispanic America in a perspective which does violence both to historical truth and contemporary fact.

We deplore the pretension of the Roman Catholic hierarchy to circumscribe the religious freedom of Protestant Christians in the proclamation of their faith, while by implication reserving for themselves the right to the universal proclamation of their own. We can imagine no policy more certain to project into the New World the baneful intolerance which is now producing such tragic consequences in the contemporary life of Spain. . . .

—BR—

Blue Mountain Offering in June From Every Church.

—BR—

Recent visitors to The Baptist Record office included the following: Percy M. Cooper, Jackson; J. Earl Bryant, Hattiesburg; R. W. Bryant, Hattiesburg; J. B. Quin, Summit.

"BURNING THE NOTE"



Dr. Charles E.
Maddy and Mr.
Howard L. Jenkins
burning the note
and making the
Foreign Mission
Board debt-free.

HONOR ROLL

The churches listed below have agreed to contribute to the Now Club (or other object of their choice) the amount they would have given to pay their pastor's expenses to the Southern Baptist Convention.

The same is true of individuals listed below:

Duck Hill Baptist Church.
Highland church, Meridian.
First church, New Albany.
Newton Baptist Church.
Brookhaven church.
Northside church, Jackson.
Mt. Oral, Jones county.
Sharon, Jones county.
Okolona.
A. L. Goodrich.
D. A. McCall.
E. C. Williams.
A. J. Wilds.
Fannie Traylor.
Edwina Robinson.
M. E. Perry.
Bryan Simmons.
J. R. G. Hewlett.
Carolyn Madison.
Davis Memorial, Jackson.

—BR—

Dr. Louie D. Newton is observing his fourteenth anniversary as pastor of the Druid Hills church in Atlanta. The church planned special services.

At Petal church on May 10, at 8 o'clock in the evening, the Lebanon Associational Sunday School Conference will meet. A. C. Parker is host pastor. J. C. Herrod will lead the singing. J. H. Cothen will have the devotional. Departmental meetings will be led by superintendents. Three five minute talks were made, by R. G. Lowrey on "Importance of Trained Workers"; R. C. Woodham on "Importance of Evangelism," and I. E. Rouse on "Vacation Bible Schools." W. U. Daniel, superintendent, will be in charge of the meeting.

At West Point, First church, the adult department in the Sunday school broke all records in attendance. Supt. Bruce and his workers were happy.

Toulminville Baptist Church of Mobile, Alabama: We have just closed a meeting that turned out to be a revival. We had L. W. Ferrell, pastor of the Griffith Memorial Baptist Church of Jackson, Miss., as our visiting preacher. Brother Ferrell is one of the best Gospel preachers to be found anywhere. There were 26 for baptism and 8 by letter. Every department of our church was blessed.—E. N. Patterson, pastor.

Dr. H. H. Hargrove will begin his seventh year as pastor of the Columbus Avenue Baptist Church in Waco, Tex., on June 1. The visible results of a revival just closed were sixty conversions and additions to the church. In addition, the life of the church was strengthened throughout. The church now has 2600 members and new members are received practically every Sunday in the year.

Washington, D. C.—Commanding officers of Army and Navy units located on college and university campuses throughout the country have been authorized to furnish statistics regarding the religious preferences of students under their command at the request of local church bodies.